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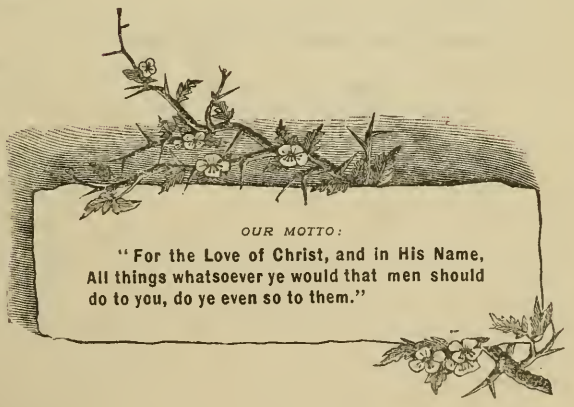

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING

HELD AT

Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29—NOVEMBER 5, 1891.

THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., Thursday morning, October 29th, 1891, at ten o'clock.

The first object of decoration that greeted the eyes of delegates and visitors as they entered the auditorium was "Welcome W. H. M. S." in immortelles under folds of the American flag back of the platform and pulpit, while on either side the motto, "For love of Christ"—"In his name" was displayed respectively upon white shields bordered with evergreen. Growing palms and chrysanthemums were grouped around and on the platform, centering about a large portrait of Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes. The chancel rail was entirely hidden by the stars and stripes artistically draped. The pew in which the family of ex-President Hayes had statedly worshiped during their residence in Washington was marked by the same national emblem, and flags of all nations decorated the entire front of the galleries, caught up here and there by sprays of evergreen ivy. The beautiful, serene face of the beloved first President looked out from the canvas over the scene and into the eyes of the large assembly before her, as if about to extend her welcome and benediction.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, of New Jersey, conducted the devotional exercises. She asked that the familiar hymn so dear to the heart of every Methodist woman, "Come, thou Fount of every blessing" be sung, after which she read the 12th chapter of Romans. Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, of Evanston, Ill., offered an impressive prayer concluding with the Lord's prayer, in which the convention joined. The singing of the hymn, "My faith looks up to thee" closed the devotional hour.

The President, Mrs. John Davis, in assuming charge of the business, greeted the convention and said, with emotion, your prayers and sympathy have been my support. Let them be continued that we may rise into joy, even joy in

tribulation. Your faces are so familiar that they seem to belong to my own fireside.

The President requested the Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, to proceed with the roll-call and seating of the delegates, when Mrs. Chas. F. Springer, of Anamosa, Ia., rose to a question of privilege and said she was sure that she voiced the feeling of the convention when she asked that before the regular business of the session be entered upon all present rise as an expression of love and sympathy for our beloved President who has been called since we last met to endure such great bereavement. Mrs. J. H. Bayliss from the platform repeated the request, and the large assembly stood up and silently testified to its affection for the presiding officer who with a burdened heart must conduct the deliberations of the body. Roll-call and seating of delegates then followed.

On motion of Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, Mrs. E. L. Albright was chosen to represent the Texas Conference, Mrs. Chas. F. Springer the East Maine Conference, and Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson the West Virginia Conference.

The Secretary nominated the following assistants: Miss Martha Van Marter, New York City; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. W. C. Herron, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. H. W. Rogers, Evanston, Ill., and they were confirmed.

Mrs. Clara L. Roach, of Washington, was invited by the President to introduce the Rev. H. R. Naylor, Presiding Elder of Washington District, who delivered the opening address of welcome in behalf of the District he represented. Briefly he sketched the extent of the District in his keeping and some of the many Christian and philanthropic institutions located therein, particularly the Old People's Home, the American University, the Epworth League, and the Deaconess Home; and bore testimony to the loyalty of his 7,500 members, 600 probationers, and his army of Sunday school scholars, to all the interest of our Church. It was with pleasure that he greeted this youngest child among the benevolences, though he admitted that the Society had not been cordially welcomed at its birth. In a vein of pleasantry he referred to the first years of its history, and said there had been, while the Society was very young, a general impression among the brethren that the child could not live long anyhow—a conclusion accepted by most of the authorities without any evident pang—but the infant had grown and prospered exceedingly, notwithstanding it had been surrounded by many difficulties.

"We must not forget," he said, "that *your sphere* is only that of gleaners, nor even then among the sheaves, like Naomi's daughter. But after the full sheaves have all been harvested, and the 'Harvest Home' has been sung, then you are permitted to pick up the fugitive straws which have escaped the keen eyes of the ever vigilant annual harvesters. Wonderful indeed in view of these hindrances is the measure of your financial success. But what is this compared with the moral energy, courage, patience, faith, that have come to the hearts of your beneficiaries. Mathematics is powerless in such computations. Even this is not all. In the exercise of virtue none are more profoundly blessed than the actors themselves." After giving a beautiful elucidation of the thought "that real and immortal character is nothing less than transmuted sacrifice and toil," he extended a most cordial and generous welcome to the homes and hearts of the national capital.

Rev. George Elliott, pastor of Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church, was next introduced to welcome the convention in behalf of the Church. He welcomed the delegates to a city where personal worth counts for more than it does at any of the other national capitals of which he knew anything; where the power of money does not exert such great social influence as it does elsewhere; where any man or woman of refinement and good character can be admitted to the best society. Washington morally is one of the most superior centers of population. He referred to the many conferences, conventions, convocations and synods which meet here, talked of local charities and beneficence, made interesting reference to Foundry Church and then paid tribute to the character of Mrs. Hayes, who had for years been a member thereof. He desired to do more than welcome the delegates to Washington for a temporary stay; he wanted to welcome the location here of their principal agencies.

Hard things have in many places been said of the Roman Catholic Church, but that Church compels admiration for its wisdom, for it has recognized the fact that this city is the political center of this continent, and here the hierarchy has centered itself. Here is the great Roman Catholic University and here are the directing forces, led by that pure-living but subtle servant of Rome—Cardinal John Gibbons. Rev. Mr. Elliott strongly advised the Society to follow the example set them.

Referring to the social conditions of which home missions would have to take cognizance, he said that the discontent which is in the hearts of the great masses of the people undoubtedly has a foundation in right. To remedy these conditions must largely be the work of the Church. God seems to be pouring the consecration of a new crusade upon the Church—a crusade in which woman will be a most important factor.

Mrs. Clara L. Roach, in behalf of the local Woman's Home Missionary Auxiliaries, with her sisterly welcome, won all hearts as she sketched the work in the city from the beginning to the present time, and all agreed in the tribute she paid the young ladies whom she said had so tastefully decorated the church. There is no fear but the work will go on even though those who now stand in the front "pass over the river."

Mrs. A. C. Minard, of Buffalo, N. Y., followed with a soul-felt response catching the spirit of these cheery welcomes, and communicating it to all her hearers. She referred with pardonable pride to some of the Society's achievements. Greater activity was called for, and attention was directed to Bishop Taylor's statement that for every missionary sent abroad God sends ten thousand heathens to our shores.

"When I survey the wondrous cross" was then sung by the audience.

The next in order on the program was the address of the President, who asked to be excused from a formal speech, but said: There are conditions so intensely personal that they obliterate all other interests, or retire them for a time. The uplifting of your sympathy has been wonderful to me. Your letters are laid away. I did not answer them. I could not. One single thought I would impress upon you, the consecration of heart and soul to Christian work.

The President requested the Recording Secretary to conduct the appointment of committees, and they were constituted as follows:

On Finance and Mission Fields, as per By-law No. 4, Sec. 1, page 210, Ninth Annual Report—The President, the Chairman of the General Executive Board, the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of Bureaus, the Conference Secretaries, and Mesdames H. W. Rogers, Clinton B. Fisk, H. M. Teller, C. W. Smith, I. J. Everett, J. W. Cushing, R. L. Hyde, L. E. Collins, L. F. Studley, E. M. Rutter, J. H. Bayliss, G. E. Palen, D. B. Tracy.

On Nominations, as per By-law 3, Sec. 1—Mesdames B. S. Potter, Grace Crary, A. W. Black, C. E. Cherry, I. A. Miller, C. E. Millspaugh, C. B. Fisk, C. W. Smith, C. Morgan, R. M. Round, W. I. Fee, N. M. Browne, J. W. Cushing, I. J. Everett, A. W. Cram, J. A. Lantry, F. B. Darling, M. S. Andrus, M. Alspaugh, Isabella Spurlock, Louise E. Collins, C. H. Snyder, Charles Allen, J. E. Gilbert, W. J. Aldrich, Elizabeth Smith, E. Case, B. C. Herrick, D. Wilson, C. H. Farnsworth; and from the Executive Board, Mesdames M. D. House, R. W. P. Goff, H. C. McCabe, J. F. Willing, R. S. Rust.

On Resolutions—Mesdames J. B. Robinson, E. B. Green, J. F. Willing, E. L. Albright, J. I. Boswell, J. Kent, W. A. Brownell, J. Q. Maynard.

On By-laws—Mesdames F. S. Hoyt, J. F. Willing, M. E. Griffith, J. B. Robinson, T. L. Tomkinson, L. Hollister, M. Van Marter, G. W. Mansfield, D. L. Brown, M. S. Andrus, H. C. Paist, J. C. Negus, F. B. Darling.

On Place of Meeting—Mesdames R. S. Rust, H. W. Rogers, J. H. Bayliss, W. J. Aldrich, C. F. Springer.

On Church Press—Mesdames C. B. Fisk, F. S. Hoyt, R. S. Rust.

On Enrollment—Mesdames Luther Caldwell, M. E. Caldwell, A. C. McDowell, P. K. Bristol.

On motion, the order of business for the convention, as arranged by the Committee on Program, was adopted.

Mrs. Roach made announcements regarding sale of papers, and the excursion to Mount Vernon Saturday afternoon.

Two verses of hymn 1033 were sung, and the first session adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. A. Price, D. D.

Thursday Afternoon.

The afternoon session convened at 2 P. M., with Mrs. Davis in the chair. "All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung. Mrs. E. B. Green read the 15th Chapter of St. John, and prayer was offered by Mrs. R. W. P. Goff, after which the hymn "Am I a soldier of the cross" was sung. The minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

Mrs. Brown moved that the names of Mrs. W. J. Aldrich, of Michigan, and Mrs. C. F. Springer, of Iowa, be added to the Committee on Place of Meeting, which was carried.

Mrs. Aiken stated that the delegate from Rock River Conference had not

yet arrived, and moved that Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, the alternate, be invited to take her place. Carried.

On motion, Mrs. M. E. Griffith was appointed to represent the North-west Kansas Conference.

On motion, Mrs. Robinson was added to the Standing Committee on Revision of the Constitution. Mrs. Hoyt, the Chairman, requested that ladies who desired a change in the Constitution or By-Laws should indicate it during the first three days of the convention.

The regular order of exercises was resumed, and Mrs. R. S. Rust, the Corresponding Secretary, presented her report.* After words of sympathy for our beloved President, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Rust gave a most graphic and comprehensive review of the work of the Society. To encourage any who may feel impatient at the slow progress made, she stated that our great Missionary Society, now rejoicing in an annual income of more than a million dollars, aided by the press, the pulpit and the combined authorities of the Church, collected from all sources during its first decade only $51,057, while last year the total receipts of this Society were $171,848.19—cash $117,895.32, supplies, $53,952.87.

The report was received with great enthusiasm. Mrs. Hoyt moved that it be accepted with thanks, and its recommendations be referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields. Carried.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. A. R. Clark, was then submitted. It stated that the receipts for the year in cash were $79,574.94; receipts through vouchers for Local Work $8,224.00; estimated value of supplies $63,733.70; Mr. E. Nash's donation to Lucy Webb Hayes Home $15,000.00.

Words of commendation were expressed for the excellent report. Mrs. E. L. Albright said that she had been obliged to call on the Treasurer many times during the past year, and she was as thankful for the wisdom that had denied her as for the kindness that had aided her.

The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Griffith and on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to our faithful and efficient Treasurer for her arduous labors during the year, and for the clear and comprehensive report just given us.

On motion, the report of the Treasurer was adopted with thanksgiving.

The hymn, "Blest be the tie," was sung, after which the report of the Editor of *Woman's Home Missions* was given. The Editor stated that the paper had been reporting for the Society during the year, and now at the close of the year it seemed only just that it should speak for itself. This it did, indicating somewhat the policy for the coming year.

Miss M. B. Evans, the Publisher, followed with her report. She feared that many now thought the paper to be on a good financial basis and not to need further help. It certainly looked as though the usual effort had not been made, for the receipts from subscriptions this year have been $74.21 less than the previous year. She made an earnest plea for renewed effort on the part of

* The reports presented at this meeting will be found in full under their appropriate headings, in the pages following these minutes.

Corresponding Secretaries for increased subscriptions during the coming year. She reported a balance on hand of $44.47. These reports were adopted.

Mrs. Potter said that as there were only four names on the Committee on By-laws, she thought the Committee should be enlarged. Mrs. Bayliss thought the ladies from different Conferences ought to be more largely represented on the Committees. It was decided to enlarge the Committee by nine, but the action was postponed until morning, as the hour had arrived for the communion service. This service was conducted by Dr. Price, assisted by other pastors of the city, and was very impressive, a large number participating in its privilege.

Friday Morning.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30, with the President, Mrs. Davis, in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. M. S. Andrus, who read the Scripture lesson, after which Mrs. A. W. Black offered prayer. "A charge to keep I have" was sung, and prayers were offered by Mrs. Roach and Mrs. Willing.

The minutes of the previous session read by Mrs. Herron were corrected and adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Potter, the Committee on By-Laws was enlarged by adding Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, Mrs. Lillian Hollister, Miss M. Van Marter, Mrs. G. W. Mansfield, Mrs. D. L. Brown, Mrs. M. S. Andrus, Mrs. H. C. Paist, Mrs. J. C. Negus and Mrs. F. B. Darling.

On motion, Mrs. J. W. Cushing was added to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Mrs. Rogers, in consideration of heavy committee duties, desired to be excused from serving as Assistant Secretary. Her request was granted, and, on motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss was elected to serve in her place.

Mrs. Potter offered the following resolution:

Inasmuch as in some localities our Corresponding Secretaries have not been permitted to take collections at their annual meetings and anniversaries in the evening audiences, it being claimed that it would be a breach of Disciplinary law governing the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the matter of collections in "promiscuous assemblies," therefore,

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust, and the Treasurer, Mrs. Clark, constitute a committee to investigate the statement by consultation with the Bishops of the Church, and, if need be, memorialize the General Conference that the expression "promiscuous assemblies" be made clear so that hereafter there need be no misunderstanding or embarrassment regarding the taking of collections in meetings called in the interest of our Society.

After considerable discussion the resolution was referred to a special committee consisting of Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Clark.

Reports of Corresponding Secretaries were next called for, and Baltimore Conference reported through Mrs. Roach; Central Illinois, through Miss Smith; Central New York, through Mrs. Brownell; Central Pennsylvania,

through Mrs. Tomkinson, and Cincinnati, through Mrs. Bishop Morris. These reports, full of interest and hope for the future, were adopted.

Mrs. Minard spoke of the courtesies extended to this convention by the railway officials, adding that Mr. G. W. Smith, General Agent of the Trunk Line Association, was in the house. Mrs. Davis invited Mr. Smith to come forward to be introduced, and, on motion of Mrs. Griffith, a rising vote of thanks was tendered him and the roads he represents, which he acknowledged in a few pleasant words.

The report of the Bureau for Immigrants was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Willing, who stated that this Bureau, three years old, has now three Immigrant Girls' Homes, a projected training school for domestic service, and an Italian Mission in New York City. The Homes are located in New York, Boston, and Philadelphia. Seven missionaries are employed. The Homes afford safe shelter and information to new-comers, secure employment in a large number of cases for girls, and act as missionary evangelizing agencies. They are partly self-supporting, and are evidently but in the dawn of their power for Christly service to the stranger.

Mrs. Mansfield, of Gloucester, spoke briefly and effectively of the work done in the East Boston Home, and pleaded earnestly that the Conferences would help to cancel the debt upon the Home, so that the whole building might be used for the increasing work.

At this point Mrs. Willing offered a resolution from the Bureau asking that the unused balance of the appropriation be granted the Boston ladies to apply on the payment of their debt. Referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Mrs. Goff spoke briefly for the Philadelphia Home, after which Miss A. C. Ruddy, of New York, spoke of the work of the Italian Mission. She stated that there are from seventy-five to one hundred thousand Italians in New York City, eighty per cent. of whom can neither write nor read. There are but two Protestant Churches among them, and but two lady missionaries speaking their language. Mrs. Griffith spoke feelingly of the importance of the work done in this Bureau.

Mrs. Willing offered a resolution from the Bureau for Immigrants asking change of By-Law defining boundaries of the Bureau, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

Mrs. Willing presented a request from the Bureau that a supplement be issued once or twice a year in connection with our paper, setting forth the needs of the work among immigrants. Referred to the Committee on *Home Missions*. The report of the Bureau was then adopted.

A verse of "More love to thee, O Christ" was sung, after which the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian) was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Simpson, who plead for a Home, stating that eighty acres of land have been allotted by Government for our work. The report was accepted and referred; and Mrs. Willing followed with an earnest plea for the work and the workers.

The noon hour having arrived, Mrs. Willing led in prayer, praying especially that the life of our most useful missionary—Miss Sarah E. Moore, now seriously ill—may be spared.

The report from the Bureau for West Central States for Ritter Home was read by Mrs. D. L. Williams, who described the Home located at Athens, Tenn., and just dedicated to the work of education among the white girls of the South. Mrs. Williams presented facts and incidents in the work which awakened great enthusiasm.

Visiting clergymen, Rev. J. A. Price, Rev. J. E. Amos and Rev. Joel Brown were introduced to the convention. Announcements were made and the convention adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Brown.

Friday Afternoon.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. M. Springer, of Washington, D. C.

The minutes of the morning session, read by Miss Van Marter, were adopted.

Mrs. Roach presented an invitation from President and Mrs. Harrison to a reception at the Executive Mansion, Saturday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock, which was accepted with thanks.

Mrs. Davis stated that Saturday morning's session would begin at 8 o'clock, in order that the business might be finished before adjourning for the courtesies of the White House, and an excursion to Mt. Vernon.

Mrs. Aiken announced that Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., United States General Agent of Education for Alaska, would address the convention after the presentation of the report of the Bureau for Alaska on Saturday morning.

The report of the Bureau for Indians was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and, on motion, was accepted and referred. Mrs. McCabe detailed the visits of missionaries to the lodges of the Indians; spoke of the need of deaconesses for this work, and urged more generous contributions of money for carrying the gospel to these home heathens. She said that the policy of Commissioner Morgan was greatly in advance of that of any of his predecessors, and would have beneficial results in the future.

The report of the Bureau for East Central States was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, discussed and adopted. Mrs. Gilbert graphically described the work of the missions in the Bureau and urged the importance of industrial training, saying that the colored people should be freed from the idea that education means book learning with professional life at the end.

Mrs. Willing offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

Resolved, That when the General Executive Board of our Society and the officers of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society meet to arrange a schedule of work for students, they so arrange that our scholars shall give at least half their time to industrial training. And also that they be taught only the rudiments of English education.

Mrs. R. W. P. Goff, Secretary of the Bureau for Mormons, read a report which indicated a year of prosperity in our missions in Utah, and urged that

the Society should not cease its efforts for the redemption of the women and children from the delusion of Mormonism. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Aiken read a note of love and greeting from a former missionary, Miss Mary H. Walters, of Harrisburg, Pa., giving assurance of her prayerful interest in the people of Utah.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of the Bureau for Texas, verbally reported this department of the work. She stated that she had tried to secure the services of a bishop as a speaker at the recent dedicatory exercises at King Home, Marshall, Tex., but failing, had been obliged to do the speaking herself. Mrs. Albright described this new Industrial Home, and spoke of its prospects for usefulness in solving the problems of the South. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Hoyt requested to be excused from the Committee on Nomination, and that Mrs. M. D. House be put in her place. On motion, the requests were granted.

On motion, Mrs. R. L. Hyde and Mrs. L. E. Collins were added to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

The time having arrived for the Bible Reading by Mrs. J. F. Willing, the session adjourned; and Mrs. Willing conducted a most interesting and impressive service.

Friday Evening.

A meeting was held at 7:30 o'clock in the interest of the formal opening of the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home and Training School for Missionaries, the building having been dedicated with impressive services October 17th.

Rev. H. R. Naylor, D. D., presided; "Watchman, tell us of the night" was sung, and the Rev. Dr. Shannon offered prayer.

Able and instructive addresses were made by Rev. H. R. Naylor, Rev. S. Shannon, Rev. Geo. Elliott, Dr. D. B. Street, Dean of the Training School for Nurses, and Rev. J. B. VanMeter, Professor in the Woman's College at Baltimore, Md. Rev. Dr. Dalby, Superintendent of the Home, dwelt upon the importance of proper training for women as missionary workers, and gave an interesting outline of the course of study provided for. He was followed by Mrs. J. B. Robinson, who gave a short history of the founding of this Deaconess Home and Training School.

The meeting adjourned to attend a reception at Mt. Vernon Seminary.

[The reception at Mt. Vernon Seminary, from 9 to 10 o'clock, Friday evening, tendered to the delegates by the principal of the School, Mrs. J. Eddy Somers, was a charming affair. The conservatory, drawing-room, parlor, and recitation rooms, beautifully decorated with flowers and autumnal branches, were thronged with delighted guests. The gracious hostess, Mrs. Somers, was assisted in dispensing an elegant collation in the dining-room by the Methodist girls attending the school, all of whom gave evidence of the sweet, refining influences of this model school, which receives, as it deserves, such distinguished patronage.]

Saturday Morning.

The session was opened by devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. James Mather. The minutes of Friday afternoon, read by Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, were adopted.

Mrs. Springer rose to a question of privilege, asking that Mrs. L. F. Studley, of South Portland, Me., be placed on the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields. The request was granted. Mrs. Ella M. Rutter, of the Baltimore Conference, was also added to the same committee.

Mrs. Cora Provine presented the report of the East Tennessee Conference, which indicated growing interest and enthusiasm in the work. The report was received with applause.

Mrs. Springer represented the East Maine Conference. Mrs. Aldrich followed with the seventh annual report from the Michigan Conference, stating that for twenty-one years there has not been such destitution in the north of Michigan nor such a call for supplies as during the past year. The report showed to what extent the Society has aided these pressing needs; and also indicated the steps that have been taken for the erection of the Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School at Grand Rapids.

Miss Annie M. Cummings represented the Erie Conference, the oldest of the great body of Conference organizations. Profiting by its mistakes, encouraged by its successes and strengthened by its victories, this Conference enters upon its eleventh year.

Mrs. E. B. Green followed, reporting twelve new organizations for Genesee Conference during the year. She stated that action was taken at the Conference anniversary to name a room in the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home in memory of Mrs. J. E. White, the President of the Genesee District, who had died in the past year. All of these reports were adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Alaska, instructive and hopeful, was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. Daggett, and adopted.

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., United States Agent of Education for Alaska, was then invited to speak. He said it had long been his earnest desire to stand before just such a body of Methodist women and urge the claims of Alaska for immediate help. Dr. Jackson represented the condition of the people in this Territory as deplorable. Polygamy exists, and children are sold into slavery at an early age. He illustrated the savage condition of the people by their habit of killing a friend as a matter of friendship. Parents expect their children to kill them when they become old and feeble. Dr. Jackson stated that it had been said that such people were intractable, and the sooner they were swept off the face of the earth the better, but the responsibility could not be evaded in such a manner. He then gave illustrations to show that the Indians are exceedingly accessible to Christian instruction. The people are ready, and many of them have been waiting in the darkness for years, and groping for the light. The desire of Indian girls to go to school was dwelt upon, and the hardships which the missionaries suffer were eloquently pictured. He stated that the Aleutian Islands have been allotted by the Government to the Methodist Episcopal Church for mission work, but nothing has been

accomplished by the Church except what has been done by this Society at Unga and Unalaska, where he hoped the Society would enlarge its plans and erect buildings large enough to accommodate the great need of the missions.

At the conclusion of Dr. Jackson's remarks, the President said the work in Alaska has been for a considerable time close to the heart of the Society. A rising vote of thanks expressed the acknowledgment of the Society for the interest and co-operation of Dr. Jackson in the work, and for his presence and inspiring address.

Mrs. Roach followed in a brief but earnest plea for Alaska, and Mrs. Daggett suggested that pledges be made for this field, but objections were made by Mrs. Willing and Mrs. Clark on the ground that in justice to the entire work the needs of *all* the missions or fields should be presented before special collections are taken. On motion, it was decided that pledges for special fields be deferred till the report of the Finance Committee is presented.

Mr. G. W. Smith made some explanatory remarks in regard to reduced railway rates.

The noon hour for lunch having arrived, the report of the Committee on Enrollment was deferred, and the Society adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

After lunch, the convention in a body attended the reception at the White House, and spent the remainder of the afternoon in a visit to the historic grounds of Mount Vernon.

Sunday Afternoon.

A meeting in the interest of the young people, presided over by Mrs. F. A. Aiken, was held at 3 o'clock, in Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, in eloquent words, portrayed the need of homes for homeless children, and Mrs. M. E. Griffith, in a singularly happy and effective manner, set forth the work done in different Home Missionary fields; and recommended the organization of a "Dime Brigade" for girls and boys who would invest that small amount of money in some enterprise, and by adding thereto accumulate a fund toward the support of the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.

A trio of Mothers' Jewels—Lilian Carpenter, Norma Lewis and Nellie Bishop—gave an appropriate recitation, to the delight of the audience.

An interesting feature was the singing of "Bringing in the Sheaves" in the Cherokee dialect by an Indian girl, Saliee Ahmasoyah, who also made an earnest plea for Christian work among her people.

Sunday Evening.

The anniversary of the Society was held in Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Bishop Simpson presiding. The hymn, "Look from thy sphere of endless day" was sung. Rev. Geo. Elliott read the Scripture lesson and offered a fervent prayer.

Mrs. R. S. Rust, the Corresponding Secretary, presented an abstract of her annual report, indicating briefly the leading features of the work of the Society.

Mrs. A. R. Clark, the Treasurer, submitted a summary report showing the receipts and expenditures for the year.

The hymn "Rock of Ages" was sung most sweetly by Mrs. J. F. Winters.

Dr. Henry Wade Rogers, President of the North-western University, Evanston, Ill., delivered an able and eloquent address. He said: The Woman's Home Missionary Society found its organization in the love for Christ, home and native land, and it was the blessed influence of woman from the time of Pharaoh's daughter to the present that had contributed greatly to the amelioration of the condition of men. In speaking of this peculiar field of woman he referred to her excellent work in organizing and conducting foundling and orphan asylums and maintaining other institutions intended to care for those who lacked the attention of parents, and needed the comforts of life. It was a woman, Abigail, who prevented the first conflict between capital and labor, at the time when Nabal and David disagreed. The three great exponents of woman's work, the speaker thought to be Florence Nightingale, Clara Barton and Frances Willard.

The Church should solve many of the problems of the day. It ought not to do less work in foreign fields, but more in the home fields. No Protestant Church approaches the masses as it should, and, until it does, the great work of reform can not be successfully carried out. A goodly amount of foreign missionary work can be done in our own country. Statistics show that the population of Cincinnati contains 62 per cent. of citizens of foreign birth, Boston 63 per cent., New York 80 per cent. and Chicago 90 per cent. It is no wonder, under such conditions, that the large cities of the country are the "storm centers of our civilization."

In concluding, Dr. Rogers presented a vivid picture of the deplorable condition prevailing in many centers of population in the United States, in which are found districts as dark and people as degraded as any in "darkest England." In these extended and needy fields ample opportunities are offered woman to effect needed reform.

Announcements were made, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Elliott.

Monday Morning.

The devotional meeting was conducted by Mrs. M. C. Hickman. Mrs. Van Vradenburg offered prayer, and impressive remarks were made by the President, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Hickman and others.

At 9:30 the business session opened with Mrs. Davis in the chair. Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss House, and approved.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss was made a member of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Reports of Conference Secretaries were called for. Detroit Conference was

reported by Mrs. Hollister; Nebraska, by Mrs. Woodcock; Newark, by Miss FitzGerald; East Ohio, by Mrs. Hickman; and New England, by Mrs. Dwight. These reports, full of interest and encouragement, were adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Local Work, by Mrs. Williams, Secretary, clearly defined the nature and scope of Local Work, and gave explicit directions in regard to the funds, and to the manner of reporting the work. Gratifying accounts of work done in various large cities and towns were given, showing that this important department is rapidly extending in the great centers. As interesting reports from several cities had not been received, Mrs. Williams was granted permission to incorporate these delayed papers in her general Bureau report for publication. On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion by Mrs. Rogers, ten minutes were granted Mrs. Marcy to represent the Bohemian work in Chicago.

Mrs. Marcy said every citizen of Chicago is proud of that city, but, like all great cities, it has a large depraved class. In two wards known as "Bohemia" there are 82,000 people, many of whom morally do not know their right hand from their left. In this section our mission is located. The work there is as much missionary in its character as work in Africa. The hall used by the mission is over a saloon, next door is a saloon, and across the street is another. In some of the homes the lowest depths of depravity are found.

The ladies of the mission started a Sunday School, and at first it was a remarkable school. The boys were jumping over the benches, smoking cigarettes, drinking beer, and throwing spit-balls. One missionary, on her first visit, said: "Oh, let me go home. I never saw anything like this in India." But a great change has taken place, and recently a well-known trustee has said that the school is the best behaved Sunday School in Chicago. The most successful work has been accomplished among the young, and the outlook is very encouraging for our mission, though there are still many difficulties and discouragements to contend with.

Mrs. Springer offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That we tender our sincere thanks to our beloved and efficient Editor of our Annual Report, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, for her great toil and care in the past years in this work for the Society.

2. That we record our gratitude to Mrs. Ampt, for her laborious service in securing reduced rates for this Annual Meeting.

On motion by Mrs. Aiken, the order of business was suspended, and Mrs. M. N. Caldwell presented the report on Enrollment, which was accepted, as follows:

The enrollment at this Annual Meeting exhibits the gratifying fact that delegations are in attendance from eighteen States, representing thirty-nine Conferences; the representative membership, comprising General Officers, Secretaries of Bureaus, Corresponding Secretaries, and Delegates, numbers ninety; Deaconesses, eleven; and Visitors, aside from the large local attendance from the various churches of the city, number one hundred and forty.

We present the following as

THE ENROLLMENT LIST.

General Officers and Secretaries of Bureaus.—Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. J. F. Willing, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A.

Aiken, Mrs. A. R. Clark, Mrs. E. House, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. R. W. P. Goff, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. James Kent, Mrs. L. H. Daggett, Mrs. J. B. Robinson.

Honorary Vice-Presidents.—Mrs. Bishop Simpson, Mrs. John A. Logan, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. Chas. F. Springer.

[The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk.]

CONFERENCES.

BALTIMORE.—*Delegation:* Mrs. Clara L. Roach,* Washington, D. C.; Mrs. E. M. Rutter, Baltimore, Md. *Visitors:* Mrs. H. M. Teller, Mrs. J. Eddy Somers, Mrs. T. L. Tullock, Mrs. Wm. Burris, Mrs. A. C. McDowell, Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. C. W. Brown, Mrs. A. D. Lynch, Mrs. B. H. Steinmetz, Mrs. J. E. Amos, Mrs. F. S. Evans, Mrs. Wm. Springer, Mrs. Maria Newhall Caldwell, Mrs. Thomas Little, Miss Kate Bradley, Washington; Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Mrs. A. H. Eaton, Mrs. C. H. Richardson, Mrs. B. P. Brown, Baltimore.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS.—*Delegation:* Elizabeth A. Smith,* Buffalo, N. Y.

CENTRAL NEW YORK.—*Delegation:* Mrs. W. A. Brownell,* Mrs. C. E. Cherry, Syracuse. *Visitors:* Mrs. C. T. Peck, Cortland; Mary W. Worden, Syracuse.

CENTRAL OHIO.—*Delegation:* Mrs. W. G. Williams,* Delaware; Mary E. Case, Bowling Green. *Visitors:* Rose C. Case, Bowling Green; Mrs. F. King Reeve, Delphos; Mrs. T. F. Joy, Delaware; Mrs. Edward Squire, Defiance.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,* New Cumberland; Mrs. A. W. Black, Harrisburg. *Visitors:* Mrs. C. Hammersley, Mrs. H. C. Pardoe, Harrisburg; Mrs. D. D. Sollenberger, Mrs. J. Curns, Mrs. J. H. Speer, Chambersburg; Miss Bertie Kilmore, New Cumberland.

CINCINNATI.—*Delegation:* Mrs. Bishop Morris,* Springfield; Mrs. Wm. I. Fee, Piqua. *Visitors:* Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. M. T. Carey, Miss Mame Arthur, Cincinnati.

DETROIT.—*Delegation:* Mrs. Lillian Hollister,* Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. C. H. Morgan, Howell, Mich. *Visitor:* Mrs. M. A. Bramlett, Howell, Mich.

ERIE.—*Delegation:* Annie M. Cummings,* Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, Chautauqua, N. Y. *Visitor:* Mrs. E. D. Spaulding, Jamestown, N. Y.

EAST MAINE.—Represented by Mrs. Chas. F. Springer, Anamosa, Iowa.

EAST OHIO.—*Delegation:* Mrs. M. C. Hickman,* Mrs. B. C. Herrick, Glenville. *Visitors:* Miss Minnie Hickman, Glenville; Mrs. F. A. Arter, Mrs. L. Griffin, Mrs. W. B. Neff, Miss Lucy Hyer, Cleveland.

EAST TENNESSEE.—*Delegation:* Mrs. Cora Provine,* Knoxville; Miss C. H. Snyder, Morristown.

GENESEE.—*Delegation:* Mrs. E. B. Green,* Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. E. S. Millspaugh, Albion, N. Y. *Visitors:* Mrs. J. Weinert, Mrs. A. C. Minard, Mrs. W. E. Sherwood, Buffalo, N. Y.

ILLINOIS.—*Delegation:* Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington.

INDIANA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. J. W. Livezey,* Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, Indianapolis.

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MAINE.—*Delegate:* Mrs. B. Freeman, West Scarboro. *Visitors:* Mrs. E. Chase, Mrs. L. F. Studley, Portland; Mrs. Ella Lorell, Kittery.

MICHIGAN.—*Delegation:* Mrs. W. J. Aldrich,* Muskegon; Mrs. L. H. Showman, Portland.

NEBRASKA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. J. R. Woodcock,* Fairbury; Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, York. *Visitors:* Mrs. R. S. Hyde, Miss Hyde, Lincoln.

NEWARK.—*Delegation:* Miss Linda B. FitzGerald,* Newark, N. J.; Mrs. I. A. Miller, Cranford, N. J. *Visitors:* Mrs. W. H. Beach, Jersey City; Miss Effie Ham, Mrs. R. B. Ham, Cranford; Mrs. J. I. Boswell, Madison; Mrs. W. F. Day, Miss Day, Morristown, N. J.

NEW ENGLAND.—*Delegation:* Mrs. A. E. Dwight,* Melrose, Mass.; Mrs. J. W. Cushing, Boston, Mass. *Visitors:* Mrs. Geo. W. Mansfield, Gloucester, Mass.; Miss S. R. Alley, Mrs. Amos Beckford, Mrs. F. H. Lord, Mrs. W. T. Whitaker, Miss J. M. Buhler, Mrs. Geo. Collins, Miss Marietta Rich, Mrs. Adelia Parsons, Mrs. Rebecca Clark, Lynn, Mass.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN.—*Delegation:* Mrs. D. L. Brown,* Hope, R. I.; Mrs. T. J. Everett, Middleboro, R. I. *Visitors:* Mrs. J. H. James, Mrs. James Mather, Hyde Park, Mass.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—*Delegation:* Mary E. Miller, Mrs. A. W. Crane, Haverhill, Mass. *Visitors:* Mrs. Clara L. Lamb, Mrs. E. M. Crowell, Haverhill, Mass.

NEW JERSEY.—*Delegation:* Mrs. C. F. Garrison,* Cranbury; Mrs. G. M. P. Wells, Trenton. *Visitor:* Lillian I. Davidson, Trenton.

NEW YORK.—*Delegation:* Miss Martha Van Marter,* New York City. *Visitor:* Anna C. Ruddy, New York City.

NEW YORK EAST.—*Delegation:* Mrs. J. Q. Maynard,* Mrs. J. A. Lantry, Brooklyn. *Visitors:* Mrs. F. J. Smith, Mrs. J. Hall, Brooklyn.

NORTH OHIO.—*Delegation:* Mrs. W. F. Keller,* Wooster; Mrs. N. S. Albright, Tiffin. *Visitors:* Mrs. H. C. Hedges, Mrs. B. F. Crawford, Mrs. M. D. Priest, Mansfield.

NORTHERN NEW YORK.—*Delegation:* Mrs. H. B. Ferguson,* St. Johnsville; Mrs. F. B. Darling, Mexico. *Visitor:* Mrs. F. W. Skinner, Mexico.

NORTH-WEST IOWA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. J. P. Negus, * Inwood.

NORTH-WEST KANSAS.—Represented by Mrs. M. E. Griffith, Washington, D. C.

OHIO.—*Delegation:* Miss Anna Dill,* Mrs. R. M. Round, Columbus.

PHILADELPHIA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. C. W. Bickley,* Mrs. H. C. Paist, Philadelphia, Pa. *Visitors:* Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. John Zeigler, Mrs. Dr. Hulburd, Mrs. Dr. McCombs, Mrs. M. O. Rooksby, Mr. H. S. Kenney, Mrs. H. S. Kenney, Mrs. C. G. Boughton, Mrs. A. Linville, Mr. R. W. P. Goff, Miss Louise Goff, Miss Libbie Simpson, Mrs. Andrew Zane, Mrs. Hastings Brown, Mrs. A. T. Ryder, Miss Margaret Boswell, Miss J. Corbin, Mrs. Chas. Scott, Mrs. O. B. Gause, Miss A. Eisenbrey, Mrs. G. E. Palen, Mrs. J. E. Satler, Mrs. Geo. J. Zeigler, Mrs. E. K. Young, Mrs. J. F. Wilt, Mrs. K. A. Wisham, Rev. Henry Wheeler, Philadelphia, Penn.

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PITTSBURG.—*Delegation:* Mrs. M. J. Schoyer,* Allegheny City, Pa.; Mrs. C. W. Smith, Pittsburg, Pa. *Visitors:* Mrs. M. S. Dinger, Mrs. A. H. Norcross, Mrs. S. Hamilton, Mrs. J. F. Core, Pittsburg, Pa.

ROCK RIVER.—*Delegation:* Mrs. E. E. Marcy,* Mrs. H. W. Rogers, Evanston, Ill. *Visitors:* Mrs. S. B. Wilkins, Rockford, Ill.; Miss Harriet Bayliss, Evanston, Ill.

SOUTH-EAST INDIANA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,* Shelbyville; Mrs. M. S. Andrus, Indianapolis.

TROY.—*Delegation:* Mrs. E. W. Simpson,* Troy; Miss Helena Ide, Lansingburg. *Visitors:* Mrs. J. F. Yates, Ft. Edward; Mrs. Dardell Wilson, Saratoga Springs; Mrs. James M. Ide, Miss Estelle M. Ide, Mrs. Anna Pierson, Troy; Mrs. Ella M. Stickney, Albany; Miss Sarah R. Ide, Lansingburg; Miss Elsie L. Fitch, Cohoes, N. Y.

UPPER IOWA.—*Delegation:* Mrs. M. Alspaugh,* Anamosa.

VERMONT.—*Delegation:* Mrs. J. O. Sherburn,* Cabot; Mrs. C. H. Farnsworth, White River Junction. *Visitor:* Mrs. Eliza A Barrett, Bradford, Vt.

WEST NEBRASKA.—*Delegate:* Mrs. L. E. Collins, Kearney.

WILMINGTON.—*Delegation:* Mrs. E. L. Weldin,* Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. N. M. Browne, Middletown. *Visitors:* Mrs. L. G. Plummer, Mrs. M. R. Lincoln, Mrs. R. A. Christy, Mr. W. E. Beardenkoft, Mrs. M. A. Taggart, Mrs. E. J. Robinson, Mrs. C. W. Pusey, Miss Alice M. Pusey, Miss Lillian Plummer, Mrs. Wm. Christy, Mrs. Sherburne, Mrs. Sarah Moore, Mrs. Washington Hastings, Mrs. J. S. Willey, Miss Anna Weldin, Mrs. Sarah K. Weldin, Mrs. S. A. Morrow, Mrs. H. F. Pickels, Wilmington, Del.

WYOMING.—*Delegation:* Mrs. O. P. Wright,* Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Miss Grace Crary, Binghamton, Pa. *Visitors:* Mrs. N. H. Bump, Mrs. N. S. Childs, Binghamton, Pa.

Deaconesses.—Miss Elizabeth Smith, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Florence Van Vradenburg, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miss Josephine Corbin, Miss Margaret Boswell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. N. W. Bass, Syracuse, N. Y.; Miss Ida Miner, Miss Laura J. Hanlon, Miss Margaret Bell, Miss Ellen Goodenough, Miss Edna Failing, Miss Plimette K. Bristol, Washington, D. C.

Two stanzas of the Hymn "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung, after which Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, presented the report of that Bureau. It stated that during the past two years seven Deaconess Homes have been opened under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, with two projected Homes soon to be opened. Forty deaconesses are already in active service. The position taken by this Society was re-affirmed—a willingness to undertake this work when and where desired, in entire accordance with the regulations of our Church as provided for in the Discipline.

Reports from various Homes followed. Mrs. Van Vradenburg, Superintendent, and Mrs. Wilson, of the Local Board, represented the Pittsburg Home. Miss Smith, Superintendent of Buffalo Home, and Mrs. Minard, representing the Local Board, reported for that Home. Mrs. Bass, Superintendent of Syra-

cuse Home, and Mrs. Cherry, of the Local Board, spoke for the work at this place. Mrs. Robinson read for Miss Gaddis the report of the Detroit Home. The report of the Philadelphia Home followed, read by Miss Boswell for Miss Price, Superintendent of the Home. Mrs. Goff, of Philadelphia, spoke briefly of the need for more Deaconesses in that city. Mrs. D. B. Street, of the House Committee of the Lucy Webb Hayes Home, read a brief report, and Mrs. W. J. Aldrich spoke of the projected Home at Grand Rapids, Mich. Mrs. Rust read a letter just received from San Francisco, giving a report of excellent work done in that Home. All of these reports full of encouragement were received with marked interest.

Mrs. Bayliss spoke some excellent and forcible words, urging Christian women not to delegate their own work to Deaconesses.

On motion of Mrs. Griffith, the report was accepted and a vote of thanks tendered to Mrs. Robinson for her efficient labors.

Mrs. Rust asked that statistical reports of work done in Deaconess Homes be published in connection with this report. On motion, referred to Committee on Publication.

Mrs. Springer spoke a word of commendation in behalf of Mrs. L. J. Johnson, the Corresponding Secretary of the Little Rock Conference, who is unable to be present.

On motion of Mrs. Garrison, Mrs. Fisk was made a member of the Nominating Committee in place of Mrs. Wells.

Rev. Dr. Wheeler pronounced the benediction, and the Convention adjourned until 2 P. M.

Monday Afternoon.

The convention was called to order by the President at 2 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. H. M. Teller. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Wm. Burris. The 20th Psalm was read, and the hymns, "There's a wideness in God's mercy," and "Zion stands with hills surrounded," were sung.

Mrs. James Kent, Secretary of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (*Spanish*), presented her report, showing the success in Old Town, a part of Albuquerque, and a hot bed of Romanism, as very promising. An exhibition of some needle work by the pupils elicited much admiration.

Bishop Mallalieu expressed great interest in the work of the Bureau by letter to the Secretary, saying that this Territory would soon become a State, and it is of the greatest importance that Protestantism assert itself here; and urged an increase of interest and help for this field. The report was accepted.

The report of the Bureau for East Southern States was, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Whetstone, read by Mrs. Aiken, who presented greetings from Mrs. Whetstone, with the assurance that her renewed efforts and continued prayers were with the zealous workers. In this report the self-sacrificing spirit of the teachers was represented, and the general condition of the Homes and Schools was gratifying. The report was adopted.

By request of the President, "Come thou Fount of every blessing" was sung. After which Mrs. C. B. Fisk stated that she had read in the daily papers that the Secretaries of the Missionary Board had sung "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" because the Missionary Society had been enabled to lift the great burden of debt which had been hanging over it for so many years; and she asked that a message of congratulation be sent to the office, assuring them that we rejoice with them. With emotion she added that it gave her a peculiar joy, for she remembered how one dear to her had spent twenty-five years of his life, giving his best thought to the work of the Board. As Mrs. Fisk concluded, the audience rose and sang the same words, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." The President requested Mrs. Fisk and Mrs. Simpson to prepare the message to be sent.

Mrs. Aldrich rose to a question of privilege and invited the Board of Managers to meet in Grand Rapids, Mich., next year. She promised a cordial welcome and abundant entertainment in this city of 80,000 inhabitants, and eleven Methodist churches.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the invitation was received with thanks, and referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting.

Mrs. Rogers presented the report in part of the Committee on Management of Deaconess Homes, which was practical and complete in detail. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Rust, at her own request, was excused from reading her paper upon "The Relation of the Society to the Deaconess Work," as there had been so much said already upon the subject, and the time was limited.

Rev. I. N. Dalby, D. D., Superintendent of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training School, was introduced, and spoke of the origin of our Society, its growth, the need for trained workers in our home field, the fortunate location of our Memorial Home, and the advantages possessed by Washington over other cities. He gave an outline of the course of study, and said he wished it to be emphatically a Bible school, and a center of spiritual power. He promised to send to the fields efficient workers if the right material is sent to the school. He felt sure of the hearty co-operation of the Society.

Mrs. C. B. Fisk asked the privilege of reading the following message to the Missionary Board for approval, and on motion it was adopted:

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session in Washington, D. C., having learned through the public press that for the first time in twenty-five years the Missionary Society of our Church is out of debt, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That this Society rejoices in the glad news of the liquidation of the debt of the Parent Society, and congratulates the officers of that Society upon the loyal, generous hearts which have made this fact possible; and pledges itself anew to its work for the Master as an evidence of its gratitude for his goodness in thus relieving from debt and embarrassment the strong arm of the Church.

Mrs. Robinson took occasion at this time to speak of Dr. Dalby as a man of peculiar fitness for his position, and urged the delegates to endeavor to have their churches open to him, and to otherwise assist him in his work.

Mrs. Rust said that the query had arisen in the minds of some whether in

the *Bible school* the practical duties of life were to be taught. To which Dr. Dalby replied that it had only been two weeks since he had given up his charge in the Genesee Conference, but he had given much thought to the work of the school, and had sought information from every available source, and he would reply to all such queries that it is the plan to have the very best industrial training possible.

Mrs. Rust followed with a recommendation that the fund contributed for the "Angel Band" spoken of by Mrs. McCabe in *Woman's Home Missions* be used toward the support of this institution. It was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

The Report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies was called for. Mrs. Aiken stated that the report had not as yet been received.

The Report of the Bureau for Young People's Work was called for, but this report also had not been received.

The report of Mrs. Griffith, general organizer, was presented and adopted. It showed diligent work and good results.

Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, Assistant Superintendent of the Mothers' Jewels Home, reported in part that work. She described the family of children in their home and school life. She impressed every one with her earnestness and love for the work, and it was evident that the interests of the children were very close to her heart.

Mrs. Williams moved that the program for Tuesday afternoon be deferred until Wednesday morning in order that the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields may hold an afternoon session. Carried.

The announcement was made that conveyances were at the door to take the delegates to the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, and the meeting adjourned with the benediction by Dr. H. Wheeler.

Monday Evening.

A meeting in the interest of Deaconess Work, presided over by Mrs. C. B. Fisk, was held at 7:30. Mrs. J. Eddy Somers read the Scripture lesson, and Mrs. J. F. Willing offered an earnest prayer. The audience joined in singing two stanzas of the hymn "O, for a thousand tongues to sing."

Mrs. A. H. Eaton, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Deaconess Home at Baltimore, Md., delivered an address in which she emphasized the importance of personal ministry to body and soul.

Miss L. J. Hanlon, daughter of the President of Pennington Seminary, New Jersey, who has recently became a Deaconess, read a paper on the necessity of higher education for effective work.

Saliee Ahmasoyah, a Cherokee Indian girl, who is now at the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home and Training School preparing for missionary work among her own people, read an interesting sketch of her own life, and made a touching appeal for help for the Indians. She was received with enthusiasm,

and by invitation favored the audience with a familiar song in her native dialect.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Dr. Henry Wheeler and Mrs. J. B. Robinson made brief but effective speeches, and the exercises concluded at a late hour.

Tuesday Morning.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. R. L. Hyde. The business session was resumed at 9:30, with the President, Mrs. Davis, in the chair. "I need thee every hour" was sung. The President expressed the desire of her own heart for a personal blessing from the Lord. She needed this for further service, and was waiting or a *special* blessing while claiming the promise, "Lo, I am with you always."

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, corrected and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for West Southern States was read by Mrs. Aiken in the absence of Mrs. Hagans, the Secretary of the Bureau, and was adopted.

Mrs. E. L. Albright paid a deserved tribute to the two missionaries at Peck Home, saying that the excellent management and discipline of the one, and the spiritual influence of the other, united in making the environments of this Home almost faultless. She also spoke of her visit to the French and Italian Missions in New Orleans, and gave an encouraging report of the work wrought in the hearts of these people as evidenced by the testimony she was privileged to hear.

Mrs. Bayliss supplemented the plea for a Kindergarten at Peck Home made in the report of the Bureau, by some earnest remarks on the importance of training the children.

Mrs. Green read a letter from a missionary at Peck Home, telling of the work done by a girl in the industrial class there, and exhibited specimens of the work—some table mats and a toilet set—which she offered for sale. She solicited orders for more work of this kind, so that the poor girl may be able to pay for books needed to continue her studies.

On motion of Mrs. Goff, the order was suspended to hear the remainder of the report of the Committee on Management of Deaconess Homes. Pending the presentation of this report, Mrs. Roach moved that the body send greetings to the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, now in session in Kansas City. The motion prevailed, and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Aiken and Mrs. Roach were constituted a Committee for this purpose.

On motion, Mrs. G. E. Palen and Mrs. D. B. Tracy were added to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Mrs. Rogers then presented the recommendations of the report on Management of Deaconess Homes. The first item, providing for an advisory council of seven members to be added to the Deaconess Board, was adopted. The second

item, recommending that the General Executive Board and the Deaconess Board, with the Secretary as Chairman, be made a committee to memorialize General Conference concerning the relation of this Society to the Deaconess order and work was discussed, and the following substitute was presented by Mrs. Willing and voted in the negative, after some discussion on the part of Mrs. Willing and Mrs. Robinson:

Resolved, That we recommend that the Committee of three, usually appointed to memorialize the General Conference in reference to our work, shall embody in its report the principles laid down in this report as expressing our sentiments in regard to this phase of our work.

The original item was adopted. The report as a whole was then adopted.

Mrs. Booth Clibborn and Mrs. Ballington Booth were introduced. Mrs. Clibborn spoke of the work of the Salvation Army in France, and said that if we could win the heart of France, the people would be as enthusiastic for Jesus Christ as they were for Napoleon. She gave an interesting history of the work which the Army is prosecuting in that country, their work being established on the basis of self-support in men and money; and concluded with an earnest plea for the prayers and material aid of the women of America.

With a warm clasp of the hand, the President commended the spirit of self-sacrifice displayed by these workers, and the convention joined in singing, "Waft, waft ye winds the story."

Mrs. Davis read a touching letter from Mrs. Newman, who has been seriously sick for a long time. Mrs. Potter moved that the letter be spread upon the minutes; and that a Committee be appointed to send a telegram of condolence to our afflicted sister. The motion was adopted and the President and the Recording Secretary were constituted the Committee. The letter was as follows:

"HOME—SICK BED.

"*Mrs. President and Sisters of the Woman's Home Missionary Society:*

"From the border land, the unrevealed land, the land of mystery and illusion, I bring you greeting. With hand still tremulous with the breath of death, I bid you God-speed, and record the whisper floating in my spirit ear: 'I am the Lord that healeth thee.' There is but one Healer, if the Father wills that he come.

"Shall I tell you, beloved, the vivid memory I bring from that shadow-realm? *These arms so empty of sheaves!* Yours, dear sisters, may yet reach the ripening grain. Thrust in the sickle ere the hands grow nerveless and the eyes dim.

"Yours in faith's baptism,

"ANGIE F. NEWMAN."

By request, Mrs. Willing led in an earnest prayer for our suffering sister, who has done so much for the salvation of the deluded women in Utah, praying for her restoration to health and usefulness.

Mrs. J. K. Barney, Superintendent of the Prison Department of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was introduced and spoke very forcibly of the work in prisons.

A letter was read from Miss Frances E. Willard, inviting fraternal representatives from the Society to the Temperance Convention to be held in Boston, Nov. 13–18, and was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

A question was submitted by Mrs. Springer, asking whether the Committee on Nomination is empowered to nominate the Honorary Vice-presidents, as the Constitution makes no provision for this complimentary relation to the Society. After some discussion, on motion of Mrs. Willing, the Nominating Committee was authorized to nominate Honorary Vice-presidents.

Mrs. Adams offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

WHEREAS, The expense of holding a national convention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is so great, and we believe that the General Executive Board is competent to conduct the work of the Society during the twenty-four monts, therefore

Resolved, That the holding of a convention next year be abandoned, and the expense of travel and dress necessary to attend such convention be donated to the General Fund of this Society.

The regular order was then resumed. The President warmly commended the efficient service rendered by the Railroad Secretary, Mrs. Ampt, who afterward submitted her report, specially urging the ladies who anticipate attending the next Annual Meeting to notify her early in June, before the meeting of the General Traffic Association. The report was accepted, and a rising vote of thanks emphasized the appreciation of the body for the services rendered in its behalf.

Mrs. Williams submitted the following:

WHEREAS, The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is wholly a benevolent work, carried forward by Christian women, none of its officers or managers receiving any pay for their services, and,

WHEREAS, This Society now employs eighty missionaries, and disburses annually $100,000 in cash and supplies to the poor of our own country without regard to race or color—white, black, Italian, Spanish, Indian, Bohemian and Alaskan; and,

WHEREAS, All funds for the prosecution of this work are gathered in small sums, the free will offering of thousands of women and children, for the elevation and relief of other women and children, and

WHEREAS, This Society has missionary training institutions for the education of women for the mission work, known as Deaconess Homes, where there are now quite a number of women performing gratuitously similar work to that of "Sisters of Charity," who now receive no considerations in the way of reduced rates from the railroads, therefore

Resolved, 1. That we petition the general passenger agents of the Transportation Companies to grant liberal concessions to our accredited officers, missionaries, organizers and deaconesses, while engaged exclusively in the charitable and missionary work.

2. That we ask as liberal concessions for our missionaries and charitable work as are granted Christian workers of any other Church.

3. That we ask free transportation for all supplies sent to ministers and missionaries, and for material sent to our Industrial Homes for the carrying forward of our industrial work.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted, and, on motion, Mrs. Ampt and Mrs. Rust were made a Committee to confer with the railroad authorities.

On motion of Mrs. Fisk, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Knox, who furnished transportation to the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home the afternoon previous. A vote of thanks was also given to Mrs. D. B. Street, by whom this favor had been obtained.

On motion of Miss Van Marter, Mrs. J. I. Boswell was elected to take the

place of the delegate from Newark Conference, Mrs. Miller, who had returned to her home.

The report of the Committee on Leaflets was presented by Mrs. Marcy, Chairman, and accepted.

Mrs. Willing submitted the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we furnish our national organizers with a reasonable number of leaflets for use in their work.

Mrs. Williams moved to suspend the order of business for the introduction of ladies. The President introduced Mrs. Bishop Simpson, who was received with loving and profound respect; Mrs. Gen. John A. Logan, who expressed the pleasure and gratification it would give her to further the work in which we are enlisted, and regretted that she had not been permitted to be present at our meetings; and Mrs. Gen. Foster, who briefly expressed the sympathy she felt for the work.

Mrs. McCabe called attention to an invaluable treasure, "almost too precious," she said, "to hold in her hands, a treasure which came from one of the brightest literary stars of our country," exhibiting two volumes of John G. Whittier's poems "At Sundown," with an autograph letter from the poet to Mrs. Daggett, which she read.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Daggett these books were disposed of for the benefit of the Bureau for Alaska, Mrs. J. Eddy Somers taking one and pledging therefor $100, for the purpose of naming a room for our President, Mrs. Davis, in the Jesse Lee Home at Unalaska, and Mrs. Roach pledged for Baltimore Conference the sum of $100 to name a room in honor of Mrs. McCabe.

Mrs. Rust expressed the wish that some plan could be arranged whereby John G. Whittier's name might be held in grateful remembrance. Mrs. S. Hamilton suggested that a room be named for him in the Lucy Webb Hayes Home, and on motion of Mrs. M. E. Griffith it was voted to adopt the suggestion. Quickly the following pledges were made to name a room in his honor: Mrs. M. E. Griffith, $10; Mrs. S. Hamilton, $10; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, $10; Mrs. John A. Logan, $10; Mrs. Geo. Bancroft, in memory of her husband, Rev. Geo. Bancroft, $5; Mrs. Bishop Simpson, $5; Mrs. Roach, for Hamline Young Ladies' Auxiliary, $10; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $5; Mrs. E. L. Weldin, $10; Miss Van Marter, for New York Conference, $10; Mrs. B. S. Potter, for Illinois Conference, $15 Mrs. A. R. Clark, $5; Mrs. John Davis, $10; Fourth St. Auxiliary, $10; Mrs. Josiah Kirby, $5; Mrs. E. B. Green, $10; Mrs. Brownell, for Central New York Conference, $10; Mrs. Chas. W. Pusey, $5; Tobias Church, N. Y., $10; Mrs. J. I. Boswell, $5; Mrs. R. S. Rust, $25; Mrs. W. M. Springer, $5.

It was voted that the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields should have a meeting in the afternoon, and the convention adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

Tuesday Evening.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Davis, at 8 o'clock, and after the singing of "Stand up for Jesus," prayer was offered by Mrs. W. J. Aldrich.

It was voted to postpone the reading of the minutes of the morning session until Wednesday morning.

The Committee on Finance and Mission Fields presented a partial report through Mrs. Green, Secretary. It was decided, on motion of Mrs. Williams, that the appropriations for each locality should be voted upon when read. The report was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Committee on Nomination was called for, and Mrs. Williams moved that the Committee report at the morning session. Mrs. Aldrich moved as an amendment that it be made the order for eleven o'clock at the morning session. The amendment prevailed.

The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Willing:

Resolved, That we request the Committee on Program, appointed by the General Executive Board to arrange the work of the next Annual Meeting, to set apart on the program an hour for a prayer meeting each afternoon. Also that some time be given to our returned missionaries to tell us of their work; and that as far as practicable the time of the meeting be evenly divided among the Bureaus.

On motion, these resolutions were referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Mrs. Gilbert offered the following, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

Resolved, That while we express our appreciation of the hour for the celebration of the Lord's Supper, we would suggest that the Committee on Program request the preacher in charge of the church where our sessions are held to arrange, if possible, with his elder for a communion service on the Sabbath of our Annual Meeting.

After announcements were made, the meeting adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. F. Garrison, of New Jersey.

Wednesday Morning.

At ten o'clock the meeting opened with Mrs. Davis in the chair. After the singing of a hymn, prayer was offered by Miss Elizabeth Smith, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The minutes of Tuesday morning, postponed by vote of the evening session, were read by Mrs. Aiken, corrected and adopted.

Mrs. Roach stated that the ladies of the Baltimore Conference were laboring under a misunderstanding in regard to the books given to the Society by Mr. Whittier. They thought that the two hundred dollars pledged for the books were to go to the Jesse Lee Home. It was decided that the one hundred dollars pledged by Mrs. Somers for Mt. Vernon Seminary and also the one hun-

dred dollars subscribed by Baltimore Conference through Mrs. Roach should be used to name the two rooms in the Jesse Lee Home.

The minutes of the previous meeting were then read by Mrs. Potter and adopted.

The reports of Conference Secretaries were called for, and Mrs. Davis said that she regretted that these reports could not be heard as arranged for on the program, for she recognized the fact that the strength of the Society lies in a great measure with the Corresponding Secretaries.

Mrs. Robinson arose to a question of privilege and stated that owing to the fact that representatives of this body come from all parts of the country, she thought it would be more satisfactory if the committee of three ladies who are to represent the Society at the General Conference should be appointed by this body rather than by the General Executive Board, and she moved that this committee consist of the President, Mrs. Davis, the Treasurer, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. C. B. Fisk. This motion was unanimously carried. It was then moved and carried that three alternates be chosen. On motion, Mrs. Hoyt, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Rust were elected alternates.

The report of the New England Southern Conference was presented by Mrs. D. L. Brown, who said that the year had not been one of failure, but one in which all obligations and pledges made last year at Buffalo had been met.

Mrs. J. P. Negus gave the report of North-west Iowa. She stated that the Conference had taken advanced steps, and had more than doubled the receipts of the previous year.

Mrs. W. F. Keller, of North Ohio, stated that the growth in this Society, while it had not been phenomenal, had been steady.

North-west Kansas was represented by Mrs. Griffith, who organized this Conference Society, and reported that it had been obliged to use its funds and supplies in its own territory with the exception of one-half its yearly dues.

These reports were adopted.

The following resolution, offered by Mrs. Tomkinson, was adopted:

Resolved, That our Corresponding Secretary be instructed to so arrange the statistical table in the Annual Report as that the enumeration of Auxiliaries, Circles and Bands shall appear in three separate columns instead of being massed in one as at present.

The time having arrived for the report of the Committee on Nomination, Mrs. Potter, the Chairman of the Committee, was called by the President to the chair, and Mrs. Everett, the Secretary, read the report. It was voted to consider the report by items and to proceed at once to the election of officers.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was instructed to cast the ballot for the President, also for the Vice-presidents, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Treasurer; Mrs. Herron was instructed to cast the ballot for the Recording Secretary; and these officers were declared elected.

Mrs. Davis expressed her high appreciation of the confidence reposed in her by the members, and her great love for them, accepting the election to the presidency as the call of God to further service in this work.

Mrs. Rust, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Aiken also spoke in grateful terms of this renewed proof of confidence and trust, and pledged anew their consecration to the work of the Society.

On motion, a rising vote of thanks was given to these general officers for their devotion to the work which at times has been so arduous.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the Managers, and Honorary Vice-presidents.

Mrs. Willing moved that the report be amended so as to include the name of Mrs. R. Dymond as Honorary Vice-president. The motion was adopted and the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Dymond, after which "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung.

On motion, the general order of exercises was suspended to listen to General Morgan, United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs, who was introduced by Mrs. McCabe. He said he was glad of an opportunity to look into the faces of the ladies who were taking such an interest in this work; that he was exceedingly grateful as an American citizen, interested in the uplifting of the people, for the interest which this Society takes in the Indians. He stated that the time was opportune for this work. *First.* Because these people are establishing homes for themselves, which is a great revolution, and they need the help of earnest Christian men and women at this crisis. *Second.* A large number of boys and girls are being trained. They are getting new ideas of life and they need the guiding hand of such Christian helpers as we can send them. If they cannot have it, their education may be a source of sorrow; if they can have it, a source of power. He earnestly recommended the employment of field matrons by the Society. Congress made an appropriation for this last year, and he believed more would be given if it was understood that the right kind of persons would be sent to instruct the Indians in better ways of living.

Mrs. Griffith moved that by a rising vote we tender our sincere thanks to Commissioner Morgan for his presence here this morning, for the instructive and able address he has just given us, and for the kindness he has shown to those of us who have represented our cause in his office. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The order of business was resumed, and the following resolution, presented by the Nominating Committee, was considered:

Resolved. That we present at the next Annual Meeting the following amendment to the By-Laws, Section 2, Article 23. Insert after the word "all" and before the word "secretaries" the words "honorary Vice-presidents."

Mrs. Robinson offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, 1. That a Committee of three be appointed to consider and report to the next Annual Meeting to be decided by the vote of the Meeting the status of Honorary Vice-president: shall this office be for life; shall it entitle the holder to a seat on the floor, and voice, and vote.

2. Shall the Honorary Vice-president be elected at the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

The substitute was adopted and a Committee consisting of Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Hoyt was appointed.

On motion, the report of the Nominating Committee was adopted as a whole.

At the request of Mrs. Williams a generous collection was taken for the janitor whose service has been so constant and faithful.

Mrs. Marcy called attention to the table of literature.

Mrs. Aiken submitted the names for Bureau Secretaries as nominated by the General Executive Board. On motion, these were confirmed.

Mrs. Robinson moved that the Bureau for Deaconess Work be allowed to have a Committee on the Pacific coast, and that Mrs. Bishop Fowler be Chairman of this Committee. Carried.

In the absence of Mrs. Doud, Secretary of the Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, her report was read by Mrs. Williams and, on motion, was adopted.

Mrs. Williams offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Woman's Home Missionary Society is indebted to the originality and energy of Mrs. H. E. Doud, of Norwalk, O., for the existence of our Reading Circle, and,

WHEREAS, Its entire expense has been borne by Mrs. Doud, even to the gift of the beautiful banner which comes up annually to our meetings; and,

WHEREAS, She declines longer to serve as Secretary of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we hereby express our most grateful appreciation of Mrs. Doud's service and her untiring efforts to establish her work upon a permanent foundation.

2. That we also express our sense of the value of the work of the Reading Circle, believing that all the women of Methodism require to insure their interest in our Society is a knowledge of the need for it, and of our methods to meet these needs. This knowledge the books of the Reading Circle provide.

3. We would express the hope that the declination of this official position will not in anywise lessen Mrs. Doud's interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society, or her labors and sacrifices in its behalf.

The beautiful banner that had been carried off as a trophy by the Northwest Iowa Conference Society last year was returned by the Secretary, Mrs. Negus, to the Society through he presiding officer, Mrs. Hoyt, who in turn awarded it to the North Ohio Conference on a credit of 162 members. Mrs. N. S. Albright accepted the banner, and gracefully expressed the wish of her Conference to leave it in the Lucy Webb Hayes Home.

The first prize, $25.00, was awarded to the auxiliary at Mooresville, Ind., for the greatest number of members in the Reading Circle, on a credit of ninety-three. This prize was given by Mrs. Doud. The second prize, $20.00, given Mrs. Rust, was awarded to the auxiliary at Mansfield, O., on a credit of fifty members. The third prize, $5.00, donated by Mrs. Hamilton, of Pittsburg, Pa., was awarded to the auxiliary at Wilmington, Del. In answer to a question by Mrs. Hickman, it was stated that these prizes are paid into the general treasury, but credited to the auxiliaries receiving them. In answer to another question it was decided that members of the Home Mission Reading Circle must be members of the Society.

Mrs. Aiken stated that she had received the report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies. On motion, the reading o fthe report was deferred till 2 o'clock P. M.

Mrs. Clark said she feared that in considering other interests the convention had orgotten the Mothers' Jewels booklets and bags, and also that $2,000 had to be raised be fore the building could be built.

Rev. J. E. Amos pronounced the benediction, and the convention took a recess until 2 P. M.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The session was called to order by the President at two o'clock, who at a later hour vacated the chair in favor of Mrs. Willing. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. A. C. McDowell, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. J. C. Tasker read the 121st Psalm, and Mrs. Dr. Riley offered prayer.

The report of the Committee on Mite Boxes was presented by its Chairman, Mrs. Ampt, in which a detailed statement was given of money received through mite boxes.

At the request of several ladies, Mrs. Ampt was allowed to incorporate in her statement amounts of money raised through mite boxes that had not been previously reported to her, and the report was then adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Supplies, Mrs. Lodge, Secretary, full of interest regarding the good accomplished, and of inspiration for future work, was read by Mrs. Aiken and adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Miss Van Marter and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we offer sincere thanks and earnest appreciation to Mrs. Lodge for her self-denying and painstaking labors during the past years in this most interesting and useful department of our work.

The report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Miss Van Marter and adopted.

Mrs. Spurlock was then given permission to complete her report on Mothers' Jewels Home. She made an earnest plea for more land and for two cottages, one for a hospital and the other for a nursery.

Mrs. Clark explained the obligation assumed by the Society to build a $10,000 home at York, and stated that by the plan for gathering money through the bags and booklets distributed about $6,000 have been raised. She spoke of the generous donation, by the people of York, of the land now under cultivation and the home occupied, and closed with a deserved tribute to Mrs. Spurlock, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Woodcock and others, for their self-denying efforts in securing funds and supplies for the Mothers' Jewels Home. On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Griffith, Miss Jennie Smith, Railroad Evangelist in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was introduced and spoke briefly of her interest in our Society, and urged co-operation in her work through prayer and the earnest word spoken now and then to the railway employees.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, who said that the four ladies who had prepared papers on this subject desire to be excused from presenting them in view of the press of business; and asked that these papers be published in leaflet form.

Mrs. Davis urged the importance of considering this subject, saying that in the quiet of our rooms the papers may be more useful than if given here.

Mrs. Green expressed the regret felt in not hearing these papers, and moved that the requests be granted. Carried.

Mrs. McCabe called attention to a mite box in Mrs. Ampt's hands, provided

for the use of "extra cent a day" bands, and asked all persons to rise who are in the habit of giving a tenth to the Lord. Quite a large number rose.

Reports of Conference Corresponding Secretaries were called for and adopted as read. Mrs. Helen D. Ferguson reported for Northern New York Conference; Mrs. C. W. Bickley, for Philadelphia; Mrs. M. S. Andrus, for South-east Indiana; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, for Pittsburg; and Mrs. E. E. Marcy, for Rock River.

The Chairman, Mrs. Willing, suggested that an expression of condolence be sent to Mrs. E. H. Gammon, of the Rock River Conference, in view of the loss she has sustained in the death of her husband, Mr. E. H. Gammon, a warm friend and generous benefactor of the Society.

Mrs. Green moved that the President and Recording Secretary be constituted a committee to carry out the suggestion. Carried.

Mrs. Hoyt, Chairman of the Standing Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, asked that the Committee be allowed to present its recommendations, in order that those approved may be presented to the General Conference at its next session for final adoption. The request was granted.

Mrs. Williams, Secretary, presented the recommendations, which, on motion, were accepted and considered by items.

The first recommendation, that in the Constitution the word "general" be supplied before the words "Board of Managers" wherever it is omitted, was adopted.

The second item, that the word "general" be inserted wherever omitted before the words "Executive Board," was adopted.

The third item recommended that the word "resident" be omitted before the word "Managers" as found in Section 1, Article III, Organization. Also that the last clause of said section, "and reside in or not remote from the city of Cincinnati," be omitted, and the words "The headquarters of the Society shall be at Cincinnati" substituted therefor. Adopted.

The fourth item recommended that in Section 2, Article III, the word "and" be omitted in the last clause before the words "one delegate from each Conference," and that the following words be added thereto: "the secretaries of Bureaus, general organizers, chairmen of such standing committees as are appointed by the General Board of Managers, and the editor and publisher of Woman's Home Missions." Adopted.

The fifth item recommended that "eleven" be substituted for the word "seven" in Section 5 of the same Article. Adopted.

The sixth item recommended that in Section 9 the words "of the General Board of Managers" be introduced after the words "Annual Meeting;" and the last clause of the same section after the word "by" was amended to read, "an auditing committee elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers," and the item as amended was adopted.

Pending the consideration of Section 2, Article IV, Conference Organization, attention was called to the expiration of time for the business session, and, on motion, the time was extended ten minutes for the further consideration of this report, and after considerable discussion on the revision of said Section, it was, on motion, recommitted.

The report of West Nebraska Conference, in the absence of Mrs. E. Smith, Secretary, was read by Mrs. L. E. Collins, and adopted.

On motion, Mrs. Albright, Mrs. Boswell, Mrs. Kent, Mrs. Brownell and Mrs. Maynard were added to the Committee on Resolutions.

Mrs. Fisk rose to a question of privilege and presented Mrs. Ella Sheppard Moore, at one time one of the Fisk Jubilee Singers. On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Moore was invite to sing the opening hymn at the evening session, but she was unable to accept the invitation.

The convention adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday Evening.

The meeting was not called to order until 8:30 o'clock, owing to the session of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields. Mrs. Davis presided.

The minutes of the morning session, read by Mrs. Herron, and the minutes of the afternoon session, read by Mrs. Aiken, were corrected and adopted.

Mrs. Simpson moved that all reports of Conference Secretaries be adopted, and handed in without reading. Carried.

Mrs. Springer asked permission to hand in her report of her general work. Mrs. Robinson moved that Mrs. Springer be allowed time to read her report. Time was granted and Mrs. Springer read her report exhibiting the amount of travel and work accomplished, which made a good showing for her eleven years of service as a worker. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Bayliss presented the report of the Committee on Place of Meeting, stating that invitations had been received for the next Annual Meeting from Anamosa, Ia., and from Grand Rapids, Mich., and the Committee recommended the acceptance of the invitation from Grand Rapids. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Fisk submitted the report of the Committee on the Press, which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary. On motion, it was voted to consider by items, and they were adopted as recommended.

Mrs. Willing called attention to a resolution* presented by herself and referred to the Committee on Resolutions, which had not been reported upon. The resolution was then read and referred to the General Executive Board.

On motion, Mrs. Hoyt was elected Editor of the Annual Report.

Mrs. Gilbert submitted the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That our grateful appreciation be expressed to the Postmaster of Washington City for the perfect service tendered through the Postoffice so fully supplied with all requisites; and that we request Mrs. T. L. Tullock to bear this resolution to Mr. Sherwood and his faithful representative.

A partial report of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields, presented by Mrs. Green, was received. After deciding that on to-morrow morning Committees shall meet at 9 o'clock, and the closing session be held at 10:30 o'clock, the meeting adjourned.

*Found in minutes of Friday afternoon.—Ed.]

Thursday Morning.

The session opened at 10:30 o'clock, with Mrs. McCabe in the chair. The hymn "O, for a thousand tongues" was sung, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Marcy.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. L. E. Collins, President and organizer of the West Nebraska Conference Society, spoke in behalf of the frontier work in her Conference, urging continued help for the brave preachers on the frontier.

Mrs. Aiken read greetings from the Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in session at Kansas City, as follows: "May great grace be upon you all. We are one in fellowship—one in faith."

Mrs. Hoyt, acting for Mrs. Clark, read the following resolution:

Resolved, That the appropriations for beneficiaries in each Industrial Home shall be considered at the Annual Meeting, and made according to the apparent needs of each by the Board of Managers.

Mrs. Bickley moved to amend so as to read, "General Board of Managers." Adopted as amended.

Mrs. Hoyt presented the report of the Committee on Publication. In considering the Annual Report, attention was called to its increasing size, and hence the necessity for more brevity in all reports and papers prepared for publication therein. The importance of sending in all such papers on time was emphasized in order that an early issue may be secured. The *model report* was defined to be one that sets forth the facts and the work accomplished in a concise and definite manner, without the embellishment of rhetoric or poetry.

Discussion followed, participated in by Mrs. Hickman, Mrs. Aldrich, Mrs. Springer, Mrs. Hoyt, Mrs. J. I. Boswell, Miss Cummings, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Dwight, Miss Van Marter and others, the sentiment prevailing that all papers published in the Annual Report be made as brief as is consistent with a proper setting forth of the work of the year. Mrs. Aldrich moved the following resolution, which was carried:

Resolved, That Mrs. Hoyt, as editor, exercise her prerogative, as she has hitherto done.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Publication was adopted.

Miss Van Marter offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That in token of our appreciation of the efficient and loving labors of Mrs. Helen A. Matthews, our first missionary to immigrants at New York, we send greetings expressing our sympathy with her in her enforced retirement from active work in the cause so dear to her heart, and praying for her speedy recovery that her voice may again be heard in behalf of this most important work.

Mrs. Fisk, on retiring from the meeting, spoke a few farewell words of love and deep interest in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and called attention to the name, "Angel Band," as used in *Home Missions*, saying that she earnestly hoped the name would not be adopted. This name had been proposed to designate a fund to be raised in memory of our departed friends, and to be appropriated hereafter as the Society shall direct. After an

animated discussion, Mrs. Hickman offered the following resolution, which was voted in the affirmative :

Resolved, That we decline to adopt the name "Angel Band."

Mrs. Hoyt presented the report of the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*, which was considered item by item.

The first and second items were adopted. The third item, which related to the publishing of a paper in the interest of deaconess work, was amended by the addition of a clause providing that the Society shall not be held for any expense that may be incurred, and adopted. The report was then adopted as a whole.

Pledges for *Woman's Home Missions* were then called for, and the following Conferences pledged each 100 new subscribers: Baltimore, New York, Wilmington, Rock River, East Ohio, Illinois, Pittsburg, New York East, Troy, Michigan, Genesee, Wyoming, New England, Vermont, North-west Iowa.

Other Conferences pledged: Maine, 60; Philadelphia, 50; Erie, 50; North Ohio, 50; New Hampshire, 50; Central Ohio, 30; Mrs. Livezey, 10. Mrs. Everett hoped to secure 200 new subscribers, and Mrs. L. E. Collins, 50.

The final report of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields was presented by Mrs. E. B. Green.

The recommendations were acted upon item by item and amended, and the report was then adopted as a whole.

Mrs. Aiken called attention to the attractive badges which were displayed, and stated that they had been prepared for use in circles and bands by Mrs. Thacker, and adopted by the General Executive Board ; also that they could be secured of Mrs. Lillian N. Thacker, Defiance, O., at the nominal price of fifteen cents per badge, the proceeds from the sales to go to the general treasury of the Society.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise was read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Daggett offered resolutions, which were adopted by a rising vote, as follows :

Resolved, 1. That a vote of thanks be given to Captain Goodall, of San Francisco, for his kindly and gratuitous service in behalf of the interests of the Alaskan work.

2. That a vote of thanks be given to Mrs. Goodall, Mrs. Bishop Fowler, and other ladies in that locality for their efficient co-operation in the same work.

Mrs. Aiken presented the following resolution which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That this body join the Recording Secretary in extending a vote of thanks to the assistant secretaries for their arduous and painstaking efforts in recording the proceedings of this meeting.

Mrs. Potter moved that Conference officers and others be allowed at this time to make pledges for work in special lines. Carried.

Pledges were then made as follows: New England Southern Conference, through Mrs. D. L. Brown, for Alaska, $50; Ritter Home, $50; King Home, $25; Navajoes, $25. South East Indiana Conference, through Mrs. M. S. Andrus, one hundred dollars, to be applied as each auxiliary shall direct. Genesee Conference, through Mrs. E. B. Green, for Memorial Home, Washington, D. C.,

$150; Jesse Lee Home, $100; Ritter Home, $75. New York Conference, through Miss Martha Van Marter, for East Boston Home, $100. Wyoming Conference, through Miss Grace Crary, for Alaska, $150; Ritter Home, $50; Castle Garden, $75; East Boston, $50; Navajoe Indians, $50; Italian work in New York, $75; Marshall, Texas, $50. Illinois Conference, through Mrs. B. S. Potter, for Ritter Home, $100; Immigrant Home, New York, $100; Deaconess Work, $100; Land Endowment Fund, Mothers' Jewels Home, (by the children of the Conference,) $100; Alaska, $100; East Boston Immigrant Home, $25; King Home, $25; Bohemian work in Chicago, $50.

Mrs. Clark presented the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That Organizers (general or otherwise) be appointed by the General Executive Board as the interests of the work demand.

Mrs. Hickman offered resolutions which, on motion, were adopted as follows:

Resolved, 1. That Conference and District officers be requested to secure, if possible, advertisements for our Annual Report, at the rate of $25.00 per inside page.

2. That the Woman's Home Missionary Society respectfully request the Managers of the World's Fair to keep the doors closed on the Sabbath.

Mrs. Williams read the following resolution, and, on motion, it was adopted:

The Conference officers of the Society wish to present the subjoined resolution:

Resolved, That we as Conference officers will make an effort to pay into the General Treasury next year double the amount paid into that fund this year.

Judge McDowell, of Washington, was introduced, and said he had watched with interest the proceedings of the meeting. He complimented the ladies on the dispatch and tact with which they had conducted their business.

Mrs. Williams asked that the Committee appointed by this body for the special purpose be urged to take immediate steps in requesting reduced rates on the railroads for our missionaries and workers.

Mrs. Roach moved the appointment of a fraternal Committee from this body to the Christian Workers' Convention now in session in Washington. Carried. And Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Spurlock and Mrs. Roach were appointed said Committee. On motion by Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Griffith was added to the delegation.

Mrs. B. S. Potter submitted her report on organization which, on motion of Mrs. Griffith, was adopted.

On motion, Mrs. Hoyt was re-elected Auditor.

On motion, Mrs. H. C. McCabe and Miss Mary Belle Evans were re-elected to the positions of Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions*, which they have so acceptably filled.

Mrs. Clark moved that Mrs. Griffith be allowed to make engagements as general organizer for the coming year, pending her actual appointment by the General Executive Board. Carried.

On motion, all unfinished business was referred to the General Executive Board.

The minutes were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

Mrs. Williams, who occupied the chair, stated that the hour for adjournment

had arrived. In brief words she reviewed the work of the convention, spoke of the beautiful spirit of harmony and devotion that had prevailed, and urged greater consecration to the work of the Society.

After singing, and a fervent prayer offered by Mrs. Geo. Bancroft, the convention adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. George Mansfield.

The exceptionally fine weather, the beautiful city, and the cordial and enthusiastic welcome given by the good people of Washington, conspired to make this one of the most pleasant Annual Meetings ever held by this Society.

President and Mrs. Harrison cordially received the delegation in the Blue Room of the White House; and Mrs. J. Eddy Somers gave a hospitable reception at the Mount Vernon Seminary. A ride and visit to the Lucy Hayes Memorial Home afforded great pleasure, and a well planned excursion on the Potomac to the historic home and grounds of Mt. Vernon was most heartily enjoyed.

The delegation was royally entertained in the homes of Washington; and a bountiful lunch was provided and served each day in the church parlors by representatives of the following churches: Dumbarton, Foundry, Fourth St., Hamline, McKendree, Metropolitan, Ryland, Waugh, and Wesley Chapel.

Mrs. F. A. AIKEN, *Recording Secretary.*

MISS M. VAN MARTER,
MRS. B. S. POTTER,
MRS. W. C. HERRON,
MRS. J. H. BAYLISS,
} *Assistants.*

Report of the Corresponding Secretary,

MRS. R. S. RUST.

Grateful for continued evidence of divine approval of the mission of this Society, the Corresponding Secretary presents her annual report of the work accomplished, the condition of the field, and the outlook for the future.

Though the ranks of our General and Conference Boards have not been broken, yet the shadow of death has fallen heavily upon one of our happy homes, and to-day we are moved in tender sympathy toward our beloved President in her great bereavement, who bravely struggles to allay the sorrow of her aching heart, as she rejoins her associates, and encourages them by her inspiring presence and helpful words. Her devoted husband, honored and beloved by all who knew him, early in the year suddenly passed over to the Heavenly Home. He walked with God and is not, for God took him. The memory of his beautiful character and consecrated life is precious, and will prove to those who knew him a source of inspiration all through their earthly pilgrimage.

RETROSPECT.

When in 1884 we tendered to the Church the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and asked that it be recognized as one of its benevolent agencies, we realized only imperfectly the greatness of the work undertaken, and the extent of the opportunities for usefulness presented. A cordial welcome was then given us, and four years later, in 1888, our work and plans were passed in review, and received the approval of the General Conference.

If any are inclined to be impatient at our slow progress, it will be well for them to remember that our great Missionary Society, now rejoicing in an annual income of more than a million of dollars, aided by the press, the pulpit and the combined authority of the Church, collected from all sources, during it first decade, only $50,974.29; while ast year the total receipts of this Society were $171,850.19, cash $117,897.32 and supplies $53,952.87. This represents a net gain in cash receipts over the preceding year of $50,373.97. Since its organization eleven years ago, the Woman's Home Missionar Society has received a sum largely exceeding the total receipts of the General Missionary Society for the first twenty years o its existence.

DURING THE LAST YEAR

Our work has been extended, and generous friends have contributed liberally to its support. We have not received any large donations, nor bequests, but many smaller contributions have kept the balance in our favor, and we have the

assurance that several important bequests will come to our treasury later. We expect that other friends who have been entrusted with property will remember our Home Missionary Society when they make their Wills. No safer nor more profitable investment can be made by those who desire, during their life-time, to obtain an income from their property, and then to devote it to a benevolent purpose, than is furnished in the annuity plan of loan by our Society.

We regret that we have not done better work, and secured larger results. But we have the assurance that the Father's measure of our stewardship is just. When we have sown our choicest seed and have watered it with tears and enriched it with prayer, we may trust God for the increase.

WORK UNDERTAKEN DURING THE YEAR.

Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Institution. A resolution was adopted by the General Board of Managers last year providing that "A Training School for Missionaries and a Deaconess Home be united in one Institution, that it bear the name of Lucy Webb Hayes, and be located in Washington, D. C." In pursuance of this action, Dr. R. S. Rust, Miss Jane Bancroft, (Mrs. Robinson) and the Corresponding Secretary were appointed to visit this city for conference with the Local Committee and the Baltimore Conference Deaconess Board, in regard to the location of the institution and plans for the work. Valuable property on North Capitol and Pierce streets, generously donated for this object by Mr. Ephrain Nash and family, worth $15,000, was most gratefully accepted, the Society assuming a mortgage obligation of $5,000. Arrangements were made to enlarge the building, adapt it to our work, and furnish it, which has been accomplished at a cost of $7,000, and the property was dedicated to its mission Oct. 17th, with impressive service. The Home, a commodious and beautiful structure of thirty rooms, has been put in complete repair. It is heated by steam, and furnished throughout in a tasteful manner. It commands a beautiful view of the city, and the valley of the Potomac. Electric car lines furnish rapid communication with all parts of the city. Students pursuing various branches of special study can profit by the libraries, technical and industrial schools, lectures, medical colleges, and hospitals, so essential in the training of missionary teachers and nurses. The Deaconess Home established in Washington was blended with the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Institution in harmony with the action of the General Board of Managers above quoted.

This enterprise is national as well in the interest that attaches to the honored name it bears as in the fact that it meets a wide felt want of a high grade Training School, for the preparation of women for the service that the Church demands. Lawyers, physicians, and ministers are provided with the best facilities in preparation for their specialties, and we plead for women that they may have the best advantages possible to be secured in preparing themselves to reach the poor and neglected, in order to lead them to Christ and the enjoyment of happy and useful lives. It therefore appeals to friends all over the land for its moral and material support.

Bishop Bowman, in dedicating the building, said, "If there is any one place more than another where this Institution should be located, it is here in Washington, where people come from all parts of the world. During my travels in

this country I am frequently asked where information can be had relative to the practical working of a Deaconess Home, and I am glad now that such inquiries can be answered from this one at Washington, which I think is destined to be one of the Model Deaconess Homes of the United States."

GRAND RAPIDS. The Michigan Conference at its late session cordially accepted the aid of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in establishing a Deaconess Home at Grand Rapids, and appointed a Committee of nine members to co-operate with the Home Missionary Society in the election of a Board of Managers for the Home, and of trustees to hold the property, and to carry out details essential to the inauguration of the work.

AT BALTIMORE, arrangements have just been made to open a mission or Deaconess Home, which, with the Washington Memorial Deaconess Home, will be under the general direction of the Baltimore Conference Board of nine, as provided by Discipline.

RITTER HOME, at Athens, Tenn., erected during the year, is a beautiful frame building, occupying an elevated site on the campus of Grant Memorial University. It will accommodate fifty girls, and provide conveniently for the various departments of industrial training. The Home is furnished, competent teachers are employed, and it enters upon its mission of usefulness under most favorable auspices. Especial interest attaches to this Home, as it is the first important institution for industrial training provided by our Society for the white people in the South. The building and equipments have been provided at a cost of $10,000.

KING HOME, at Marshall, Texas, has been finished and furnished, and it is now ready for occupancy. A Superintendent and an industrial teacher have gone to the field and there is cheering prospect that it will open with a large class of girls anxious to profit by its advantages. The cost of this property, including site and building, is $8,000.

Valuable additions have been made to our property in the following places: The school building of Browning Home, at Camden, S. C., has been remodeled and enlarged at a cost of $1,800. Kent and Simpson Homes have been enlarged and improved. Spencer Home, at Salt Lake City, has received an important addition costing $500. Additions have also been made in several other places, as follows: Asheville, N. C., $1,200; Boylan Home, Jacksonville, Fla., $2,000; Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga., $150; Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb., has been enlarged and its facilities improved at an expense of $1,200. Other homes have had repairs, etc., to the amount of about $1,500.

AT CANDALARIUS, a village in New Mexico, four miles from Albuquerque, a mission was provided for early in the year, in rented quarters, and a very promising work has been inaugurated among a class of the Spanish Mexican population not hitherto reached by Christian influences.

IN BROOKLYN, N. Y., the enterprise known as the Bedford Club for Working Girls has been put on a more permanent basis. A good four-story dwelling house has been provided and furnished for a Mission Home. It is under the care of a Superintendent and furnishes a home for parish missionaries, and accommodation for industrial training and social and religious meetings.

GLENN HOME, in Cincinnati, was purchased and the work inaugurated in

April last. Situated on one of the most desirable residence squares in the city it is also by the conditions existing on parallel streets in the immediate vicinity of needy populations, with convenient access by street railroad to all parts o the city. It consists of a handsome four-story brown stone front residence of fifteen rooms, well adapted to the uses of the institution. There is connected with it a large two-story brick building, easily convertible into industria rooms. One thousand dollars worth of furnishings were included in the purchase price of $12,000, which is less than half the cost of the buildings. Although not yet formally opened, this Home approaches nearer our ideal for a city mission than any we have elsewhere. It is provided for under the general rules for city work; and believing that its methods may furnish suggestion for other localities, we give them in detail.

Its object is to promote Christian instruction and charity by all practicable methods. It will co-operate with other agencies to furnish industrial training and employment for those needing this help, will prepare missionaries for service, and furnish a home for those laboring in the city. It will also serve as a depository for clothing, delicacies for the sick, and other supplies needed in the work. When possession of the property was obtained, it was too late in the season to attempt more than a few features of mission work. Two ladies at once entered upon it, one as arish missionary for St. Paul Church, the other for work in the vicinity of the Home. In a short time 160 children were secured. Two kindergarten teachers were employed, and the class has been taught in the Home during the summer, and many of the children have entered Sunday Schools. A Flower Mission to the hospitals, a sewing school in the Home and two others in needy localities outside, a girls' club or reading circle for older girls who are employed in various lines of service during the day, a night school, and a mothers' meeting, have all been well sustained. Many holding church letters have been induced to present them, and take an active part in mission work.

Kitchen garten teaching, cooking, dressmaking, and other remunerative industries will be provided for as rapidly as means will permit. Other kinder and kitchen garten schools will be opened among the whites of different nationalities, and for colored children in various sections of the city. A superior teacher for this department has been engaged, and is now training a class of young ladies to take up the work in mission schools as the way may open. Candidates for this and other service are provided with instruction free of charge, the only obligation being th small sum of $3.00 a week for current expenses during the months of probation. Regular hours for study, with lectures by competent teachers, will be provided, and the course of study for missionary candidates will be preparatory to that provide for in the Memorial Institution at Washington.

At Pawtucket, R. I., under the Bureau of Local Work, a mission in behalf of French people has been established. Services in two halls are provided for week-nights and Sundays, and a parish missionary distributes Bibles and other literature, in house to house visitation.

An Interesting Mission has recently been started among the Navajoe Indians in the San Juan Valley at a place far distant from any government

school or mission of our Church. It is separated from Ft Defiance, the agency for this tribe, by 150 miles and a high mountain chain. The Mission Home is in course of erection on a tract of 80 acres granted to the Society by the Government. Temporary buildings have been provided, and two missionaries have been assigned to this field.

A successful Mission has been opened among the Indians at Ukiah, California.

THE JESSE LEE HOME, in Unalaska, would have been erected this fall but for a delay which prevented the transfer of the materials for the building by the last steamer of the season. The house, ready framed, will be sent by the next steamer which sails early in the spring.

Woman's Home Missions has more than maintained its character and interest as an intelligent exponent of Home Missionary needs and of our work. The Deaconess Supplement alternating with the Children's Supplement has added greatly to the value of the paper which should be regarded as indispensable by every Home Missionary worker.

MISSIONS SUSTAINED BY THE SOCIETY.

It is the aim of the Society to develop, strengthen, and enlarge the Missions already established rather than to inaugurate new ones. It is only possible to tabulate a work so varied as ours in a few particulars, and often that which cannot be represented by figures is the most fruitful of results, so that only an approximate representation of the real character and value of what has been accomplished is possible.

The mission fields occupied by our Society are divided into sections. Each division is placed under the care of a committee of ladies, which is called a "Bureau," and the Bureau is responsible for the work entrusted to it, and for the judicious expenditure of the money appropriated. Our Missions in the South are arranged in five such groups. Another five Bureaus embrace the Missions in western frontiers, including Alaska. The Bureau for Immigrants supervises Missions at our ports of entry, and has in charge the enterprise in behalf of Italians in New York. The Bureau for Local Work has provided general rules and supervision for the encouragement of local mission work in large towns and cities. This work is placed under the special care of local committees as it is developed, and a sustaining interest among the people of the city and Conference is thus secured. The Bureau for Lectures and Home Mission Reading Circle has for its object the dissemination of missionary intelligence. The Bureau for Supplies is the medium by which missionaries in the field and prosperous churches at home are brought into helpful relations.

The Bureau for Deaconess Work has general supervision of this department, the Deaconess Homes being under the management of local boards.

The Society has in the Southern States thirteen Missions, Industrial Schools and Model Homes, in which are employed thirty-two missionaries There are in them 237 pupils, mostly advanced students in Colleges and Seminaries, who, while pursuing their studies, are learning the principles and practice of home-making. The industrial teachers employed in them include in their classes more than one thousand pupils.

In the Western States and Territories, including Alaska, the Society has established for the aid of Indians, Mormons, Spanish Americans and other needy populations, twenty-two Industrial Schools and Missions, in which are employed thirty-three missionaries.

In the field of City Missions there are engaged in regularly organized and approved work, twenty-six missionaries, and many others are employed a part of the time in co-operation with these in carrying forward special missions.

The Bureau for Deaconesses includes seven Homes, with thirty-six deaconesses and nurses. The Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home and Training School has just been opened in Washington, and Homes at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Baltimore, Md., are to be established at an early date. Thus our corps of 127 missionaries includes 32 in the South, 33 in the West, 26 in cities, and 36 in Deaconesses Homes. But a just estimate of the missionary force of the Society would number many more, as the Missions and Deaconess Homes have generally several associated or branch missions carried on largely by local helpers.

To this enumeration also should be added those trained in our Model Homes in the South. Each year from seventy-five to one hundred girls, after a course of training in the Model Homes, have gone out to their life work among their own people. A beautiful, spiritual atmosphere pervades these Homes. Nearly all the residents are earnest Christians, being deeply imbued with a missionary spirit, and a large proportion of them enter at once enthusiastically upon this work. These Industrial Homes are really Training Schools for missionaries, and in them have been prepared not less than 500 young women for efficient service as Christian workers.

In our Industrial Schools in the South and West there are enrolled 2,579 pupils; and for industries alone 3,046. Our missionary teachers engaged in them have given 6,125 lessons in sewing and cooking, have held 5,386 Sabbath School services, young people's and temperance meetings, have given 3,046 Bible readings and made 6,400 visits to the sick. This summary does not include the statistics of the work of City missionaries, nor of deaconesses, but only of those working in the South and West. Not having full statistics of these, we omit figures.

The reports of the Secretaries of the several Bureaus presented during the session give details of the work, which it would be impossible to incorporate in the general review and summary for want of time and space.

THE TRAINING OF NURSES.

Our Industrial Schools and Homes connected with the Church schools offer in the preparation of nurses a wide field of usefulness to students. We find in these schools a class of educated young women ready to derive great profit by such instruction. This feature is especially adapted to meet a missionary need, not only because of the ignorance of the people, in regard to the laws of life and health, but because it will also provide for these young women remunerative employment. The experiment is being tried successfully in the Schools at Holly Springs, Atlanta, and Orangeburg, in which skilled physicians are employed.

DEACONESS WORK AT NEW ORLEANS.

There is no city in the country which appeals more strongly to our Society for work of this character on a large scale, none where helpful, co-operating agencies would more readily be secured, and nowhere else have we so many advantages with which to begin the work.

The property of the Society here consists of a block of three acres on which Peck Home has been erected. When the purchase of the property was made, it was designed for a Model Home and industrial teaching in co-operation with the New Orleans University, and to make it a center for city mission work. Sufficient space was secured not only for a Model Home but also to accommodate other departments of mission work. This plan of making it a centre for a variety of helpful agencies was fully represented to the friend who furnished us $3,000, the price paid for the lot. Although we have not yet realized the idea, the property has doubled in value, and the opportunity for a broader work remains; and we hope the Society will in the near future provide here a Deaconess Home and Training School for Missionaries.

The erection of buildings for other departments of industrial training and mission work and for the training of deaconesses and nurses could be provided for as means would allow. The location is convenient. The street cars would convey parish visitors and missionaries to all parts of the city, and the medical department of the University could furnish instruction and practice for nurses. In the meantime room may be provided in the Industrial Home for two or more deaconesses who would labor in city missionary work.

HOLLY SPRINGS.

The buildings do not furnish adequate facilities for the industrial work, and since the Society has expended less money here than in many other places in proportion to the opportunities of usefulness, we trust that these will be provided as means will permit.

Our property includes 14 acres adjoining the campus of the University. This, with a good brick house of six rooms, and three cottages that were on the land, was purchased for $1,600. Later the E. L. Rust Model Home was erected at a cost of about $2,800. Our industrial work at Holly Springs during five years received appropriations from the Slater Fund amounting to $4,600, and these appropriations were made with the understanding that the enterprise should be sustained, and would co-operate with the University in plans for the elevation of the people.

SCHOOLS NOT CONNECTED WITH COLLEGES.

Public schools in the South are improving in character, and the Colleges of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society furnish advanced courses of study for those who desire to profit by them. The field of our Society in the South is largely the providing of industrial and moral training for young women. We have successfully conducted the Model Homes associated with colleges and also the several other Homes and Industrial Schools, but there is a demand in many isolated localities for schools to meet the needs of girls just entering upon womanhood, who have had some primary instruction,

where the course of study would be adapted to give them a taste for reading, and would provide for them instruction in physiology and hygiene, in keeping accounts, and in economy and facility in all domestic arts, as plain sewing, cutting, fitting, dressmaking, millinery and elementary instruction in music. There are hundreds of girls who have obtained the rudiments of education, but who have little conception of a true home. For these girls, a year in such an institution would be of inestimable value in giving inspiration for better living and imparting such practical knowledge as would enable them to use their education in the several spheres of life.

It is recognized by those who have studied the ground carefully that such schools as have been suggested are calculated to accomplish great good. Primary teaching for the masses cannot be provided for by missionary funds. With our small means the quickest and surest results will be obtained by preparing the brightest and most enterprising for teachers and leaders socially and industrially. Unless schools are of high grade, or meet some special want, they will not command the patronage of the more intelligent, aspiring and influential colored families, which have the means to meet the school expenses of their children. The cost to our Society of sustaining a school of the character above indicated for thirty to fifty girls would not be great. Such a school would have the support of the best people in the community, and year by year it would send out a fine class of young women prepared to wield a commanding influence over the people and their homes, and would thus reach all classes with elevating influence.

METHODS FOR CITIES.

Our cities furnish a wide field for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. They present such problems as the Bohemian Mission in Chicago is attempting to solve. In large sections of that city there are 82,000 people to the square mile, and the English language is scarcely spoken among them. Sabbath desecration and open saloons are everywhere. A writer says of it, "You talk of missions to Africa, I tell you, there is no place on earth which is more in need of missions than this Bohemia in Chicago." A mission has been carried on here under great embarrassment because of inadequate accommodations and a lack of teaching force, and yet a day school, Sabbath School, preaching service and kindergarten have been kept in existence, the funds being supplied jointly by the Missionary Society, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and local agencies.

A day nursery, a free dispensary, an industrial school and other helpful instrumentalities should be provided. A valuable property has just been secured and additional funds are required to enlarge and make the work successful.

There are more people in the single city of Chicago who are existing in moral and physical conditions that threaten the safety of our Christian institutions than the entire population of some of our Southern states. What is said of conditions in Chicago is true, in a greater or less degree, in other of our great cities. We should not neglect any portion of our beloved country, but it is vital to the best interests of the Church and the nation that the slums of these great centers of population be purified, and that its dark places be illuminated by the gospel of Christ.

We earnestly recommend that these mission sections in Chicago, and in other cities presenting similar conditions of need, when Deaconess Work is not established by our Society, be placed in the care of standing committees under the general rules for Local or City Work. If earnest effort be made to organize auxiliaries throughout the city and neighboring Conferences, the means to provide for this important work can be secured by special fund, and the increased membership dues will meet the obligation to frontier work.

WESTERN FRONTIER MISSIONS.

After carefully studying the "needs and opportunities" for Missions in the Western States and Territories, we are convinced that the best, most enduring, and comprehensive results will be obtained by planting small missions in isolated localities rather than large schools in important towns. There are hundreds of villages and small communities without schools or Protestant influences. For these, all that is required is a small house for a home for a couple of missionaries, rented or purchased. They can establish a school and, with house to house visitation, in a short time they will prepare the way for a preaching place and a church. Whether the work is among Indians, Mormons, or the settlements of foreigners to be found in many places, the school and the church will give character to civilization, as the influx of population enlarges the settlement. This has been the result of all our missions among Indians. These little mission schools will quickly result in as many Protestant centres of influence.

LOCAL ORGANIZATION ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS IN CITIES.

In one of our earliest conferences with Bishop Wiley, in regard to the organization of this Society, the Bishop said, "Two fields present themselves claiming the effort of the Christian womanhood of the Church—our frontiers South and West, and our cities. The latter is the largest and most important, and will eventually claim the largest share of the attention of this Society. But you cannot touch cities with systematic effort until you have secured a strong organization. You must begin in the frontiers. You can concentrate the small givings of a large section on a single point in the South or West, but you cannot do this in behalf of any one large city. City missions must necessarily be provided for largely by the locality. The organization of auxiliaries in cities must be secured before you will have a co-operating influence in them to sustain any concerted plan of work."

For the reason foreseen by the Bishop, it has not been possible, earlier, to enter extensively upon this work in cities, although the organization was planned for this object. Each Conference Society is competent to undertake and provide for specific work, either under the rules for Deaconess Work, or by the general plan for city missions.

CITY MISSIONS.

The time has come when the Society is sufficiently strong to undertake city missions on an enlarged scale. This can be provided for by Deaconess Work, or under the rules for Local and City Work.

During the last quadrennium, Deaconess Homes under Disciplinary supervision have been established at Detroit, Buffalo, Syracuse, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Washington, San Francisco, and others are to be inaugurated at Baltimore, Md., Brooklyn, N. Y., and Grand Rapids, Mich., at an early date.

City Missions have been established at Pittsburg, Chicago, Detroit, Troy, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Pawtucket, New Orleans, Boston, Cincinnati, Brooklyn, and in other places missionaries have been employed, who labor under the direction of the pastor.

Whether the workers are called deaconesses or missionaries, the work and the preparation required to insure success are substantially the same, the principal difference being in the dress and the relation to the Conference Board. These bands of workers may all belong to one grand co-operative system, the Deaconess Homes and Missions of the Society having the relation to the Training School at Washington that the primary school bears to the college or university. This will save to the Church the embarrassment and expense of providing in many places for various lines of training. Interchange of workers for purposes of training will be easy. A preparatory course of study for candidates, with practice in field work, under the direction of trained women, can be provided for, wherever several workers are brought together in a Home. The Conference Board of supervision, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society will give such connectional relation as may be necessary to secure uniformity of methods and purpose.

The ideal of this service of women will be reached when every pastor may have the assistance, and the ladies of the charge the counsel, of a lady well trained in the best methods of reaching and helping the people.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND MANAGEMENT.

It would be practicable with the help of the pastors to organize auxiliaries in three-fourths of the charges throughout the Church. But if the Society should only double its present roll of two thousand auxiliaries, and fifty-five thousand members, with the same pro rata of receipts it now has, it could enlarge its present work in the frontier and afford an annual appropriation of at least $150,000 for city work. This would give to fifty Deaconess or Mission Homes annually $3,000 each. But the example of such work and the influence of well trained, consecrated women, distributed over the length and breadth of the land, would greatly promote missionary interest and increase receipts. The Church is only beginning to appreciate the grandeur of the possibilities for increased usefulness offered by this efficient organization of its women in the evangelization of the country.

City missions provided for by the Society, either under the rules of the Local Bureau or the Deaconess Bureau, are carefully supervised, and the property is held by Local Boards. The amount required for the support of the Home when apportioned among the auxiliaries of the interested Conferences will be easily secured, without public collections in the churches or special agents. The general organization of auxiliaries in the churches will insure this result, without interfering with the support of frontier work, for which membership dues will be ample. These dues will also provide a con-

tingent fund to meet exigencies in any department of the work. The women's societies for work in home and foreign lands enter into the organism of the Church, and are valuable parts of its working machinery. If wisely directed, they will be co-existent with it, and they are ample for the co-operation of its women with its missionary and educational agencies at home and abroad in the lines of work that women can appropriately conduct.

OBLIGATION OF THE SOCIETY TO DEACONESS WORK.

To understand the relation that exists between the Woman's Home Missionary Society and Deaconess Work, and to define the relative obligation of individuals and agencies to each other and to the Church, require greater experience, ability, and knowledge of Church legislation and practice than we possess; yet we will offer a few suggestions, hoping thereby to shed light upon this important subject, and aid in the economical solution of this problem.

In determining this question, it is necessary to keep in view the action of the General Conference giving authority for the introduction of Deaconess Work, and the character of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the object contemplated and its constitutional obligation as an authorized and incorporated agency of the Church.

The following propositions are clearly adduced:

1st. The General Conference did not assign Deaconess Work to any organization of the Church.

2nd. It did not make provision for the formation of a new society for this purpose.

3rd. It left the establishment of Homes and the training of deaconesses to any society or individual having wisdom to recognize its importance, grace to make the necessary sacrifice, and the means to accomplish the object. It welcomes any effective agency to this wide field of Christian usefulness.

4th. The Discipline provides in each Conference for a Board of nine members, three of whom shall be women, to examine credentials, and to exercise general control of this form of work. It clothes this Board with power sufficient to encourage and authorize any society or individual to provide for and prosecute this work.

5th. The constitutional object of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is, "To organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute of all sections of this country." Its fields of labor are, "Our frontiers South and West, and our cities." Effort was first directed to the establishment of industrial schools for freedmen, Mormons, and Indians. The claims of cities next received attention, and plans were adopted for the establishment of Homes for the preparation of missionaries, which should include features of missionary effort, similar to those provided for in the Deaconess Homes of England, and the Continent of Europe. These plans were approved by the General Conference of 1888, which also provided for the licensing of Deaconesses, and Conference supervision of their work. The Society immediately harmonized its plans with this action, appointed a Committee to arrange for a Bureau for Deaconess Work, and adopted a resolution expressive of its "willingness to assume the care of Deaconess Homes, wherever such Homes should be entrusted to it, subject to the limitations of the Discipline."

It is evident that there exists the relation of similarity of object and work between the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the Deaconess movement. The Training Schools and Mission Homes of the Society, and the Deaconess Homes as inaugurated, are both designed for the training of women for Christian service.

Deaconess Work is largely woman's work for woman, by woman, in the field where the Woman's Home Missionary Society is already organized and in successful operation. Its plan for providing for this work is "The plan of the Church," because it acts under the supervision of the Conference Board of Nine provided for by General Conference.

The Conference Boards have wisely availed themselves, in many instances, of the advantages of the Society. By this co-operation, economy and efficiency have been secured. The expense of organizing a new society, which otherwise would be essential to the maintenance of such an enterprise has been avoided, and the work has been carried forward and funds collected and administered without any additional machinery or expenditure.

Under whatever auspices this work is prosecuted, the funds must come largely from neighboring Conferences, and the management must be provided for by Local Boards. The arrangement of the Society for this work is, that the Conference Board of Nine, and the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society shall jointly elect Local Managers for the Home and Trustees to hold the property, the funds required for its support being secured as a special fund through the auxiliaries, and reported by voucher to the General Treasury.

For the Society to have confined its efforts to work for the Indians, the South, and Utah, would have exhibited a narrowness of spirit not contemplated in its organization, nor in harmony with the spirit of our Divine Master, at whose command we entered upon this blessed work.

While the Society prosecutes its work in cities under the Disciplinary supervision and requirements for Deaconess Work, it does not abate in the least its efforts in behalf of the frontiers. It is the only organization of women in the Church which can constitutionally and appropriately apply funds to the support of this enterprise. It has offered its organization to the Church for this object, and with the continued approval of the authorities of the Church in active participation in Deaconess Work, the Woman's Home Missionary Society will extend its influence all over our wide-spread territory, while it will achieve its grandest conquests among the neglected populations of our great cities.

ADAPTATION OF METHODS.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society, by the flexibility of its organization, easily adapts itself to the varied service demanded by our several fields of labor, which are defined in general terms as "frontiers" and "cities." But conditions of need in both sections are rapidly changing character, requiring essential changes in the agencies employed. The Negroes in the South, with schools and industrial training, will gain intelligence and property. The Indians, in time, will be settled on homesteads The tendency of population everywhere is toward centers. The frontiers South and West are receding, and *the border lines of civilization in cities* are becoming more and more strongly

marked. The territories South and West will be covered by a net-work of railroads, and large cities will be scattered over these vast areas of country that will present the same conditions and make the same claims upon the Church as are now presented in the older States. It is therefore incumbent on our Society to plan its work along lines calculated to meet the growing demand for parish and city missionaries, nurses, industrial and moral teachers, by the establishment of training schools for missionaries and deaconesses.

But while we plan for the future we must not forget the necessities of the present. If the neglected ignorant people in the South, and the discordant and alien elements of population in danger of dominating civilization in the West, are not moulded by Christian education and industrial and moral training, our Christian institutions and republican government may be overthrown.

It would be impossible for an organization depending solely upon the rural districts to sustain the necessary frontier work.

Should any movement be inaugurated that would permanently divert the interest of the women of the churches in our cities from the connectional idea of Home Mission Work, and absorb their attention in local claims, the result would be disastrous, because the rural districts and smaller towns would naturally soon follow the lead of the cities in localizing missionary effort. The withdrawal of support would necessitate the abandonment of the industrial schools and Model Homes in the South and West, but the forfeiture of such an amount of property and the abandonment of these fields would not be the greatest injury. The narrowing influence upon Christian character and enterprise, resulting from concentrating thought and effort upon localities, with the absence of the unifying effect of connectional interest and supervision would be far more fruitful of disaster and would seriously endanger the success of woman's work in all lines of missionary effort.

What the Church especially needs, we think, is to effect an arrangement by which the great force of its women may be most thoroughly enlisted and efficiently directed in behalf of the evangelization of our country and the world. This can be most successfully accomplished by unifying the efforts of her women in the two great connectional associations for Home and for Foreign Work, which have close relation to the Church and act under her authority.

To divide the field, and assign the work which can be done by the Woman's Home Missionary Society to any other organization, will undoubtedly weaken influence and waste funds.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF ORGANIZATION.

The Society has 71 Conference Organizations, 2,147 auxiliary societies, including circles and bands, and 63,264 members of all classes. The number reported last year was 1,925 societies inclusive, and 48,200 members. The increase during the year is encouraging—222 societies, and 15,064 members.

The Society is incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio and has invested in buildings and property for the accommodation of its work about $200,000. Its receipts up to this time have been cash, $488,400+; supplies valued at $299,159.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. of Auxiliaries, Circles and Bands	Added during the Year	MEMBERS.										Life Members.		Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons	Woman's Home Missions.		No. of Beneficiaries Aided
			Auxiliaries.		Mission Circles.		Bands.		Mothers' Jewels.		Home Mission Read'g Circle.								
			Number	Added during the Year	Number	Added during the Year	Number	Added during the Year	Number	Added during the Year	Number	Added during the Year	Number	Added during the Year			Number of Subscribers	Number added during the Year	
Baltimore	35	8	1255	200	50	20	.....	.....	60	40	.....	.....	20	20	4	1	375	36	.....
California	13	4	269	107	20	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	85	65	26
Central Illinois	9	1	183	102	67	11	33	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....
Central New York	63	1	960	10	201	90	292	64	267	170	109	33	45	10	7	4	507	.....	.....
Central Ohio	82	1	1088	126	250	139	250	.....	284	187	30	.....	64	45	8	3	.....	.....	.....
Central Pennsylvania	25	8	627	487	80	54	86	28	74	23	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	191	65	.....
Cincinnati	71	.....	1431	82	164	.....	197	.....	702	303	63	.....	343	55	19	15	735	81	15
Colorado	17	2	405	.....	32	.....	43	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	192	14	.....
Columbia River	21	7	206	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	77	77	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	64	.....	.....
Dakota	6	1	67	17	.....	.....	46	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....
Des Moines	28	4	430	90	73	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82	.....	.....
Detroit	80	.....	1954	.....	99	82	102	.....	176	94	43	9	131	49	27	6	646	99	.....
East Ohio	58	.....	1597	108	94	.....	35	10	456	386	23	.....	75	6	2	3	655	198	8
East Tennessee	6	.....	53	.....	54	54	12	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	.....	.....
Erie	75	10	1588	724	124	42	191	35	456	318	17	.....	69	6	18	8	613	251	.....
Florida	18	1	126	48	.....	.....	81	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	1	.....	.....	24	6	.....
Genesee	75	25	1541	622	139	124	257	.....	358	309	43	.....	57	7	.....	.....	619	160	.....
Holston	4	3	132	105	34	17	25	.....	46	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	3	.....
Idaho	9	.....	93	13	27	27	.....	.....	14	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	13	.....
Indiana	10	.....	278	91	43	43	94	4	10	4	76	18	10	2	.....	.....	183	100	.....
Indian Mission	2	1	27	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	4	.....
Illinois	47	10	475	100	25	2	100	.....	40	.....	20	15	8	.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....
Iowa	24	11	447	290	63	30	27	27	42	42	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	176	76	.....
Kansas	21	3	238	70	124	54	84	48	159	159	6	6	4	4	.....	.....	83	14	.....
Kentucky	4	2	83	48	17	17	28	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	5	.....
Little Rock	14	.....	97	14	93	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....
Louisiana	6	6	43	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....

Maine	27	.....	612	10	54	.....	27	5	75	70	.....	.....	5	4	1	1	207	6	.....
Michigan	53	14	908	218	175	9	119	79	67	59	5	3	79	13	16	.....	399	123	.....
Minnesota	21	.....	559	27	67	.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	157	.....	.....
Mississippi	4	1	74	54	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	.....	.....
Missouri	3	1	83	43	12	12	17	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....
Nebraska	56	22	456	46	109	78	79	.....	609	364	24	.....	18	17	18	.....	130	40	.....
Newark	36	8	1004	6	155	52	73	41	65	40	51	51	21	.....	17	3	458	15	.....
New England	97	16	1757	66	97	63	277	.....	509	284	86	58	121	5	32	16	1020	89	.....
New England Southern	36	3	761	173	96	49	152	56	39	35	11	3	77	15	12	1	281	39	.....
New Hampshire	18	.....	375	68	15	12	69	.....	8	8	14	2	14	1	6	2	141	4	.....
New Jersey	35	5	764	27	159	12	207	86	26	.....	25	11	7	2	5	.....	227	6	.....
New York	48	12	1247	27	77	.....	61	.....	40	40	46	46	37	.....	.....	.....	396	3	.....
New York East	28	.....	771	51	122	66	85	.....	27	19	14	2	6	3	4	.....	345	69	.....
North Dakota	4	1	48	24	.....	.....	33	33	70	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	4	.....
North Indiana	23	2	615	177	41	41	8	.....	149	124	1	.....	4	3	6	.....	164	36	4
North Nebraska	27	5	495	201	22	16	33	11	76	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58	25	.....
North Ohio	77	2	1186	360	90	.....	308	.....	225	66	158	11	66	7	2	1	318	22	.....
Northern New York	56	7	850	187	77	.....	50	.....	63	.....	10	.....	9	.....	3	1	400	78	.....
North-west Indiana	Sends money but no statistics of membership.																		
North-west Iowa	63	15	650	118	82	.....	214	204	102	101	97	.....	22	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
North-west Kansas	4	.....	85	10	.....	.....	12	12	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....
North-west Swedish	7	1	84	20	.....	.....	70	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio	56	.....	1106	61	84	.....	164	.....	250	93	76	.....	115	31	10	1	502	.....	.....
Oregon	7	.....	147	56	28	.....	38	38	14	14	.....	.....	3	1	2	1	19	8	.....
Philadelphia	61	3	1988	29	478	78	165	102	160	149	14	2	194	81	5	1	574	19	4
Pittsburgh	31	3	838	238	119	33	110	24	265	157	71	71	57	4	3	4	19	8	.....
Puget Sound	2	.....	24	13	.....	.....	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	9	.....
Rock River	34	2	756	115	14	.....	20	.....	60	22	.....	.....	139	44	38	6	252	.....	2
St. Louis	26	21	476	144	30	30	27	27	28	25	25	2	2	.....	.....	.....	264	189	.....
Southern California	19	1	424	138	18	.....	22	22	28	15	.....	.....	24	3	.....	.....	76	51	.....
South Carolina	9	4	174	134	.....	.....	47	47	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....
South Kansas	15	.....	263	99	.....	.....	27	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	27	.....
South-east Indiana	37	16	497	43	41	.....	45	45	135	127	26	7	42	5	3	1	186	11	.....
Southern Illinois	1	.....	10	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	87	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....
South-west Kansas	18	.....	346	13	138	23	50	30	57	57	30	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	133	32	.....
Texas	34	19	277	165	.....	.....	60	56	79	22	.....	.....	5	2	.....	.....	42	3	.....
Troy	73	15	1126	291	173	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	69	50	157	48	70	28	496	48	.....
Upper Iowa	54	4	941	41	107	.....	102	102	274	274	36	.....	157	20	22	8	347	.....	.....
Vermont	4	.....	358	53	77	.....	62	.....	59	32	25	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	211	.....	.....
Virginia	2	1	37	17	.....	.....	33	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....
West Nebraska	8	2	246	2	15	.....	38	.....	132	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	71	.....	.....
West Wisconsin	18	.....	244	210	113	97	72	72	113	113	.....	.....	15	15	.....	.....	98	75	2
West Texas	12	1	425	288	65	64	12	.....	10	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	54	54	.....
Wilmington	27	.....	632	129	30	19	13	.....	237	81	27	7	19	11	15	.....	272	.....	.....
Wisconsin	5	1	38	4	24	24	.....	.....	28	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	5	.....
Wyoming	38	6	764	314	72	7	155	9	239	159	23	.....	53	9	.....	4	281	1	5
Totals	2147	323	41244	8063	4849	1774	5299	1616	7568	4957	1441	436	2366	561	376	121	14383	2291	66

Reports from Bureaus.

Bureau for East Southern States.

As we review our work for the past year, we see so much of interest and so much that has been accomplished that we realize at once that it will be impossible to do justice either to our workers or our work, were we to attempt to confine our report to the brief space assigned us.

We find marked improvement in the work that is being done throughout the Bureau. We are realizing the wisdom of taking the girls when they are young, and thus being able to lay a good foundation on which to rear the structure of their lives. The people are appreciating more and more what we are trying to do for their children, as is shown by the efforts which many make to meet their bills. We try to have them understand the importance and necessity of doing all they can to help make these Homes as near self-supporting as is possible. Our report will show that a great advance has been made on this line.

The environments of these people are such that it will be a long time before they can do all that some of us may desire them to do. We must remember from whence they came, and be patient with them. We must not withdraw our care and support from these Homes. Our missionaries see the needs of the work, as those at a distance cannot, and some of them use the most of their small salaries to meet emergencies in the work for which no appropriation has been made. The work in the Homes is substantially the same. Besides the daily duties in each Home our missionaries teach in one or more Sunday Schools; and hold missionary, temperance and mothers' meetings. They visit the poor, the sick and the dying, give Bible readings, and hold services of various kinds.

Let us be careful lest our deep interest in new fields may cause us to take less interest in the old fields. By generous appropriations, by our prayers and kind remembrances, let us hold up the hands and cheer the hearts of these faithful women, who are doing so much to better the condition of the world, so much for God and home and native land.

Boylan Industrial Home.

This Home, situated in Jacksonville, Fla., has been in charge of Misses Emerson, Morehouse and Fuller. We have 30 girls in the Home, and over 50 in the school. In visiting the Home last winter, we found that the school, as well as the industrial work, had so developed as to require larger apartments for necessary accommodation.

We ascertained that the little cottage (Mrs. DeGroot's recent gift) could be enlarged and adapted to our needs, but we had neither appropriations nor money to meet this emergency. If we waited the work would be hindered. The contract was given out at once, and the building completed at a cost of about $500. Teachers, scholars and friends worked faithfully and earnestly, and the bills were paid without calling on our Treasurer; and we now have Emerson Chapel, a neat, commodious room, which is used for religious services on Sunday, and for day school and for other purposes during the week. The girls in the Home

have paid for board $670.50, and the day scholars have paid $121.83, being a total for the eight months of $792.33.

Our girls receive instruction in regard to all our Church interests, and we were surprised to see how intelligent they were on those subjects. They are taught to feel that it is their duty to contribute something to each of the Church collections, and that they must earn the money themselves. Some do extra work during recreation hours; some of the small girls gather rags, bones and old bottles and sell them, and in some way they all manage to give a few pennies. We believe this kind of training of great value, and would most heartily commend it to all missionaries.

Emerson Home.

This work was opened at Belleview, Fla., in November last, by Miss Gilman and Mrs. English. A small seven-room cottage was rented and ten girls were admitted, crowding it to its utmost capacity. We had no beneficiary aid, and the girls had so little money that their stay must necessarily be very limited. They improved their time and much was accomplished. One father said: "I would not value $75 if I had it to give you for what my girl has learned here in three months," adding "Why, these girls were like wild pigeons when they came here, and L— had never been in the presence of a white person for half an hour in her life."

One of the scholars, in writing to a friend, said: "How much I do wish I could have come here five years ago, but I've got a star in my heart for you now." Two girls came with $10 each, just enough to pay their board for two months. They had worked hard in the field, and raised a bale of cotton; had left it to be sold, expecting to realize enough from it to keep them in the Home two months longer, but alas for them, word came that the father had sold the cotton and appropriated the money to his own use; so there was nothing to do but to go home. Sadly and tearfully they bade good-by to the Home, and bravely they returned to the cotton field. The little glimpse of a better life had awakened a desire for knowledge, and a determination to acquire it if possible. Our missionaries, seeing so much need for work in all lines, soon overtaxed themselves, and circumstances were such, that, at the end of three months, it was deemed best to close the work for the year. The receipts for the term amounted to $133.30.

After most carefully looking over the field, the friends of the cause have decided that Ocala will be a better location for Emerson Home than Belleview, or any of the other places which have been suggested. We are expecting to secure property there, and to open the work in November. Mrs. DeGroot will give $1,000 for this purpose, though we shall need $2,000 more, besides furnishing and supplies. We earnestly hope that the friends of the freedmen and the friends of the sainted Mrs. Emerson will rally now to the support of this Memorial Home which is so full of promise.

Haven Industrial Home.

This Home is situated in Savannah, Ga. Mrs. G. E. Palen, the Chairman of the Committee, who has visited Savannah, and given to our work there much time, thought and money, in her report says: "The work has gone steadily forward. Each year its roots go deeper, and its branches spread wider. To see the work is to believe in it, and to be enthusiastic about it. The possibilities for usefulness are unmeasured; and the outlay of a few thousand dollars for buildings and appliances would yield an abundant harvest. Haven Home, with its domestic employments and flourishing day school, is a veritable hive of human industry. From it radiate influences that affect the moral condition of the whole surrounding country."

Our faithful missionaries, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Baldwin, Miss Herron and

Mrs. Bowen have been in charge of the various departments during the past year. Thirty girls have been cared for in the Home, and 150 in the day school. The girls have paid for board $895.25, the day scholars for tuition $334.45, and the music scholars $85.25, making a total of $1,314.95 received from scholars. Who can truly say that this is not a good financial showing for these poor people?

We greatly need the new school building. The proper development of all departments of the work requires it. We trust that the old friends of Haven Home will once more come to its aid, and that many new friends will be found to help in this time of special need.

Speedwell.

This little mission is situated about six miles from Savannah. The work here was opened several years ago and has been conducted by our Haven Home workers. They found the neglected community without educational or religious privileges, yet earnestly desiring both. As a result of their efforts, a neat little church has been built in which the people gladly meet for worship, and where a flourishing Sunday School has been well sustained, all under their direction. A day school has also been taught by one of the girls of the Home. Mrs. Palen says of this mission: "It is too important a work to be longer ignored or overlooked; we should at once build a Home and establish a missionary at this point. With an appropriation of $1,000, we could accomplish both of these objects, and thus give to this large population of colored people the opportunities which they so desire for themselves and for their children. The people are absolutely without educational advantages; and only get glimpses of a better way of living as the knowledge is taken to them by our Haven Home workers. There have been many conversions, and the work is a most hopeful one. A few weeks since, an old man, one of the converts, passed triumphantly home. In speaking of his conversion he said: 'I done burned de bridges, so I can't go back in sin no mo'.' His back bore the deep scars of the overseer's lash. He was a happy Christian and always eloquent for Jesus. This is what our work is doing—polishing gems for the crown of our King."

Thayer Industrial Home.

This Home, situated on the campus of Clark University, near Atlanta, Ga., is, in many respects, a model Home. During the last year the work was in charge of Mrs. Speer and Miss Mitchell. Seventeen girls were in the Home, and classes in dressmaking, sewing and cooking, came in daily for instruction. It has been a busy year—the days all too short for what should be accomplished. So much time is required by the University for class work and study that the domestic and industrial works are crowded into a space of time far too brief; and we find it impracticable to give to these features of our work the prominent and important place which they deserve, and which we desire to see them occupy. Notwithstanding all the obstacles with which we have had to contend, much good has been accomplished. During the eight months in which the Home was open, the girls have paid for board $714.80, and for sewing and dressmaking department $141.75, total, $856.55.

In all the four Homes connected with the Bureau, there has been paid by the pupils for board and tuition the sum of $3,097.33. This will seem a large sum when we remember that most of it has been earned by the girls and by their mothers. Some of the girls are able to teach during vacation, while those who can not teach do what they can find to do. A considerable part of the money has been earned by the mothers at the wash tub, and over the cook stove. Some of them feel that they can not make any sacrifice too great if they can only know that their girls are safe in our Homes, for they say, "*There* they can learn everything that is good, and nothing bad."

The new year opens hopefully. Our missionaries love their work and are eager to take it up again. The watchword all along the line is: We will try, by God's help, to do better work for him this year than ever before. Let us join hands with our sisters, and from our hearts say, Amen.

SARAH M. Y. WHETSTONE, *Secretary.*

Bureau for West Southern States.

The Industrial Homes of the West Southern Bureau, located in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas, are great factors in building the character of colored women in the South. The spiritual and intellectual growth of the women is marvelous, and their aspirations should be encouraged by the Christian women of the North who can render them material service. Nothing is left undone to promote and advance Christian culture among the pupils of these Homes. Every branch of industry is taught, including cooking, housekeeping, laundrying, dress-making, plain sewing of all kinds, crocheting, knitting, etc. Religion, morality, honesty, kindness and courtesy are daily inculcated. Texts of Scriptures are learned and recited by the girls at daily family worship. Prayer meetings, missionary meetings and song services are held in turn, these all adding to the power and interest of the Homes. Our Superintendents meet many trials and discouragements. Let us surround them with our warmest sympathies, and remember them in earnest prayer.

E. L. Rust Home.

The E. L. Rust Home, situated at Holly Springs, Mississippi, in the past year has been crowded to its greatest capacity, the average number of girls in attendance being from twenty-six to thirty. Miss Sophia Johnston, long the faithful Superintendent, and Miss Gibson, have been re-appointed for the coming year. They report improvement and progress in all industrial branches. Last year, several girls became good cooks and seamstresses, and those unable to return are competent to earn a respectable livelihood. A recent letter from Miss Gibson says: "Last year was the best of my life, and I expect this one to be still better. The conversion of every girl in the Home made us very happy. I must tell you of my night school for mothers, which I started last year. I had twelve scholars, most of whom learned to read and write, and I never saw happier women. I regret we have not room for more girls." For several years, "scores of applicants to The E. L. Rust Home, who have plead in tears for admission, have been refused for want of room, and we realize that the time is not far distant when our necessities will demand a more commodious building." No field presents a more hopeful aspect or occupies a more favorable location for Home Missionary work. Some important changes have been made, but our needs constantly increase. The Home has always been meagerly furnished, and we beg your kind consideration in providing adequate means for a model Home. Our apiary produced one hundred pounds of honey last year.

Adaline Smith Home.

The Adaline Smith Home, at Little Rock, Arkansas, under the supervision of Mrs. Frigels and Miss Hallabaugh, reported the unprecedented number of twenty-six girls, among whom a deep religious influence prevailed. Miss McIntosh, and the Misses Green and Hallabaugh, have been appointed for the next year. The Home is being thoroughly repaired, and the least expenditure necessary will amount to $450.00. The present year opened auspiciously and promises great success.

Peck Memorial Home.

Peck Home, at New Orleans, La., under direction of the Misses Hegeman and Elliott, is worthy the name of a model Home. It is large, well ventilated, comfortably furnished, with every convenience for imparting instruction in every department of industry, and is well calculated to be a blessing and a success. The grounds are beautified with flowers, shrubs, palms and various trees, and are cared for by the girls in the Home. This year they will raise their own vegetables. The memorial trees on the sidewalk are increasing in number. The discipline of the Home is excellent, and the superior advantages of moral and industrial training are unequaled. The Sunday School, held weekly in the Industrial Home, has been a success since its organization. It is made up of old and young and is resulting in great good. Miss Hegeman writes: "I go South with a happier disposition, thinking less of responsibility, and pushing right ahead for Jesus' sake. A Missionary from Corea said to me, Are you not ready to go with me now? I replied, not yet. I have a Corea in New Orleans. Oh, I know so much of the inside life of some of the people for whom I am laboring. It makes me sink in despair. Yet I know God's promises are sure. and he will help me. I must save a girl, save a woman, it is little enough to do. I can do it and will." Such earnestness, such consecration is just what is needed to insure success in our Home Missionary work.

KINDERGARTEN WORK.

More and more we are convinced of the great need of Kindergarten work in our Industrial Schools. After presenting this subject to our Bureau ladies, we bring it before this Annual Meeting for prayerful thought. In the neighborhood of Peck Home are scores of neglected children whose mothers, while at daily labor, are compelled to leave them to the mercies of the streets. Often the cruelty and intemperance of their homes drives them into sinful paths, and unless rescued while young, their destruction is inevitable. We can testify to the good results of the Peck Home Sunday School; and these same children, gathered in by our Superintendents, week after week, would be the pupils of our Kindergarten. Nothing carries out more beautifully and practically the doctrine of our Saviour than the Kindergarten system, which teaches us so plainly "how caste, race, and prejudice can be governed by the law of love and religion," and "upon these rest the salvation of the world." We have ample grounds at Peck Home, and we ask for $500.00 to build a one-story building, to be named "Bennett Kindergarten," and to be used for Kindergarten work solely.

THE FRENCH AND ITALIAN WORK.

The white work among the French and Italians, and factory girls, superintended by Miss Page, is slowly but surely advancing. The Italians are more easily impressed than the French, and the men are more easily influenced than the women. The Italian women are devoted to Romanism, and it is difficult to draw them from their error. Our Industrial work among the French and Italian children is enlarging and growing in favor. The children in the city missionary work are our greatest hope. Sabbath desecration in New Orleans interferes greatly with our efforts among the factory girls, yet our meetings, song services, and evening schools have been fairly well attended. One has but to enter a great cotton factory in New Orleans, and catch a glimpse of the hundreds of pale faces to long to "Gather them into the fold of grace."

We need help to carry on this great Missionary work in New Orleans. Money is required, and we kindly solicit books, stationery, papers, periodicals, pictures, etc., which may be sent to Miss E. H. Page, Loviat Street, near Pitt.

The missionary work of our Bureau has made great strides year by year, and demands all our energies. God has been "our helper in every time of need," and our trust for the future is in him who leadeth us.

MRS. M. B. HAGANS, *Secretary.*

Bureau for West Central States.

Ritter Industrial Home and School.

In the year 1886, Mrs. Elizabeth Ritter, of Napoleon, Ohio, gave $1,000 for the industrial training of the white girls of the South. Since that time this amount has been increased by the gifts of persons interested in the work for white girls until January last, when it seemed advisable to begin work on an industrial school building. The needs of various localities had been considered and Athens, Tenn., was chosen as a place especially fitted for this work, as it is in close proximity to the mountain districts of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and North Carolina. A beautiful site was given us on the campus of the Freedmen's Aid School, the U. S. Grant University. The village of Athens, whose population is two thousand, and which has not a saloon in it, is beautifully located half way between Chattanooga and Knoxville, with most charming mountain views upon every side. The climate is healthful, and the location one of the most attractive in all the South.

The building is of wood; a two-story house, with basement and mansard roof, and is painted in shades of dark and yellow reds. It is well built and commodious in every respect. It contains twenty-seven sleeping rooms, besides parlor, library, teacher's room, dining room, kitchen, laundry, coal room, store rooms, and two large class rooms for sewing and cooking classes. The lot is neatly fenced in front, and has a good sidewalk. A well-built brick walk leads from the street to the house. Trees have been planted upon two sides of the lot; two large cisterns have been built, and a good outbuilding put up for storage and other offices.

The Home was opened in September. before the building was ready for occupancy, but there are now fourteen girls in it, and several more applications. The house will have all it can accommodate if girls can find the money to come. The pupils will pay from six to seven dollars per month each for the running expenses of the house, and perform all the household duties themselves, under the direction of the teachers, as a part of their education. No help will be employed. From four to five hours of each day will be devoted to instruction in and practice of domestic duties, cooking, plain sewing, dressmaking, care of the sick, and so forth, and the remainder of the time to academic work in the University. As the Preparatory School only is located on this campus, the academic work will be in the common school branches only.

The matron, Mrs. F. V. Chapman, of Toledo, Ohio, is a woman well-fitted for her duties. She has won all hearts already by her tact and helpfulness. Educated at Oxford, Ohio, by Miss Peabody, the most worthy representative of Mary Lyon, she has learned the art of honoring household accomplishments in a system of education. The sewing teacher, Miss Sadie Anderson, of Dayton, Ohio. left a good dressmaking business to go into the service of our Society, and is devoted to the success of her work. The Home was dedicated November 3, by Bishop Warren, assisted by Dr. Chas. H. Payne. The day was as bright and clear as days ever are. The mountains upon the east, south and west stood in most glorious array of purple, red, yellow and green. The exercises of the college were suspended; the village put on its Sabbath sobriety and dignified demeanor, and we all felt that we were in the midst of important events. At 12 o'clock, an excellent lunch was served in the dining room of the Home by the citizens of Athens, to the visitors, faculty, and immediate friends of the school. Nearly one hundred persons were entertained.

After lunch, the visitors, citizens and students assembled in the University chapel and filled it. Dr. Spence, the President, extremely feeble from a long and painful illness, presided. Good music was provided by the college choir. Entertaining and helpful addresses were made by Dr. Payne and Bishop Warren, followed by a dozen five-minute speeches by members of the Holston Conference, who were just returning from the session of the Conference at Chattanooga. The audience then adjourned to the house, where an impressive dedi-

catory service was conducted by Bishop Warren. Many of the friends remained to tea and were refreshed from "the baskets that were taken up" after the noon lunch, and then the evening trains took them away, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society had one more child, the Elizabeth Ritter Industrial Home and School, born into our family of Industrial Homes—*our only white baby girl.*

And now, sisters, will you take this child into your hearts to love it, and cherish it, and pray for it? Of course we want money. There is a debt on the building which must be paid without delay. There are girls to be helped; there are rooms to be furnished. You know people who are not in sympathy with the colored work. Will you tell them about this Home and solicit their donations for it? Will you occasionally send a box of material for the sewing school, and clothing for these girls who are struggling against extremest difficulties to fit themselves better for life's duties? Nowhere in all our work will help be more gratefully received, or money pay a better dividend than here. Our girls are docile, earnest, gentle, dilligent, willing to help themselves to the utmost of their ability. Will you encourage your young ladies to make some furnishings for the Home, for all Circles and Bands want work to do, and we need everything that will furnish a house. It has been feared that white girls of the South would not take kindly to the industries, but we find no difficulty. The girls are glad to practice any self-denial to get a thorough training. They are sensible, open to reason, anxious to learn, but with very little money. This Home is the only hope for a multitude of girls for getting any education or domestic training. They will avail themselves of it as soon as they know of it. We could fill the Home at once with girls of excellent promise if we had the money to give them some help to start. One term even at Athens will enable some of them to go home and earn a little to help themselves with. Most will need some help at first. Do not forget us. D. L. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Morristown, Tenn.

The work of building an Industrial Home at Morristown has begun, and is to be completed by May, 1892. A tasteful, comfortable house will stand on the hill beside the new dormitory of the Freedmen's Aid Society. Twenty girls will find training here as well as a home. There are good prospects of a strong work in this place. Many eager, earnest young women are waiting to enter.

MRS. ANNA KENT, *for Committee.*

Bureau for East Central States.

We desire to so lead those who come to us that education shall not mean a rapidly pursued course of text-book training, with professional position as its only desired reward. We desire for them the ability to do well whatsoever their hands shall find to do, whether for God, for humanity, or for homes. This Bureau comprises the States of North and South Carolina.

Simpson Home.

Our early attempts to secure girls for Simpson Home were not received with favor by those we desired to reach. Penalty and restraint were feared, but when observation disclosed our purpose, to make possible a self-reliant, pure, self-supporting womanhood, our difficulty was overcome. Now, the brightest goal, the mark toward which each would-be graduate presses is admission into our ideal Home, where skill may be acquired in domestic and industrial arts. Fourteen girls have been with Miss Penfield and Miss Livingstone during the year just closed. These are divided into groups, and are held responsible for certain portions of home-making and housekeeping, alternating, so that each has practice in the whole plan. The per cents. received for this work, like

those received in studies, are read in chapel at the end of the term, and as hand and head are equally developed, decency and order must spring from the touch of girls who are "anxious to learn," "willing to be taught." Certainly, there can be no bounds to the possibilities open to the obedient, the willing and the approved, who need never to be ashamed. These "go forth like their Master to minister," and to illustrate the dignity of labor.

Kent Home.

This institution, during the Summer months, was made the center of missionary and temperance effort for the regions round about. Mrs. Daley felt fully persuaded that her lambs ought not to be subjected to the power of temptation, hence in response to her pleadings the shepherdess remained near the fold. Thus, the sick, the poor and the erring were comforted, helped and directed by the kindly ministrations of Mrs. Daley and her faithful assistant, who sought to learn how to labor for the redemption of Afric's daughters—her mother's race. Much fruit was gathered during this circuit visitation; many a cup of cold water was given in the Master's name, and if "he changes it into life-giving wine, to him be all honor and glory."

Fourteen girls constitute the Christian family presided over by Miss Buckbee, who has divided her course into five departments—cooking, laundry, sewing, general house work, and ethics. Many of the girls are young and have no idea of the value of time. They desire to give pre-eminence to class work, but patient and persistent efforts have placed a high value upon systematic industry. A roll of honor has been opened and demerit marks have been cancelled by the credits for extra care taken, and for regrets manifested. Thus they learn that while the "book of remembrance is kept" there is also a day of rejoicing for those who "cease to do evil" and "learn to do well." The sewing school numbers from seventy to eighty girls, and instruction is given in every department of sewing needed in a family. This accomplishment is not so much sought for by our pupils as we desire, but we hope to teach them that in the creation God gave work for the hands as well as service for the heart, and he caused it to be recorded as one of her cardinal virtues that the virtuous woman of the Bible had garments ready for her household.

Browning Home.

Mrs. A. A. Gordon, with the assistance of Misses Crouch and Breed, have conducted the interests at Camden with great fidelity. These, with twenty-two girls, compose our family, where only those things that are pure, true, honest and of good report are given as ideals for virtuous womanhood. The "Comforter has been present during the year," in convincing power, and many conversions are reported in Home and school. About ninety are enrolled in sewing classes, although the average number receiving lessons will fall much below these figures. The girls at this place have not the advantage of a college or seminary, hence an exception is made in the course of study, allowing normal drill with advanced grade work in mathematics and "business forms." This is continued because of an emergency which is felt by the two hundred who signed a petition for the course. The teachers are very careful, I believe, not to infringe upon the time required for industrial classes, but desire to impress upon the students that skilled labor, and even muscular strength, are faithful servants to a well stored mind. Even in the Southland brain and brawn must not quarrel.

Extensive repairs were made upon the school room, and Mrs. Gordon spent her summer in looking after the details of the same, thus hoping to secure the best possible results from the outlay of the sixteen hundred dollars placed to the credit of the repair fund. In buildings, as in character, search often discovers unknown weaknesses, and Browning "still needs repairs." The New England Southern Conference has been the special guardian of this Home, but the more intimate relation has been sustained by a Committee of ladies at

Providence, R. I., who have planned for its success. By mutual consent, the General Executive Board, in Cincinnati, relieves the Conference and Committee from direct supervision, thus giving them opportunity to study the broad fields of our Society, and select other centers for their thought and money.

The care of Conference beneficiaries will be continued as before. The school room and chapel will be named respectively for "Mrs. P. Holmes" and "Whitmarsh Memorial."

Asheville, N. C.

This place is beautiful for situation, and the fame of it as a mountain resort has reached over many a river and plain. From sixty-five to seventy thousand tourists visited this health region during the past year. Many called upon our teachers, and seeing their effort to send light into darkness, with no adequate Home building, were moved with material pity in the form of contributions for our work. These came from eleven States, and thus a wide opportunity was given us to show the ability of the wives and daughters of our freedmen to receive and profit by domestic training.

We have in reality a school that might well be sustained by the city fund. The registration has reached one hundred and ninety-five. The ages range from four years to forty-one. The course of study is from kindergarten to industrial, with special effort for moral reform and spiritual progress. The boys are also taught the use of the needle. Miss Russell, who has so faithfully written and solicited funds for the desired Home, has been transferred to our work in Camden. Additional land has been purchased for the *buildings* which faith even now brings to view. "Who will help?"

Miss Dole, who has had the industrial classes, and exhibited eminent qualifications for the same, will assume the duties of superintendent. The sewing classes have made and sold garments, placing as proceeds fifty dollars into our general treasury. The younger ones as "Mothers' Jewels," have contributed fifty dollars toward the Home at York, Neb., and have fifty dollars more toward a memorial room in the proposed new Home which I hope will be built by the Conferences of Indiana. Miss Levering is obliged to rest for awhile, but we hope for her early return to this field, where her influence has penetrated into so many homes of the lowly.

MRS. J. E. GILBERT, *Secretary*.

Bureau for Texas.

We are now able, for the first time in the history of our Society, to report mission work under its auspices in the great State of Texas. Year after year the plea has come up from the 900,000 colored people of this State for the educational advantages which they needed. The Freedmen's Aid Society partially supplied this need by the establishment of Wiley University, but made no provision for the industrial training of girls. The only provision made by our Church for this most important part of the education of the girls of this large number of colored people is in our King Industrial Home, located at Marshall, in connection with Wiley University.

During the past year the first and second stories have been completed, and the building was opened with appropriate services at the beginning of the college year. There were more applicants for admission than could be received, but twenty-five were admitted and these are all doing excellent work in the housekeeping and sewing departments, under the instruction of the teachers, Misses Mary and Ella Banes. For some years the girls from our Methodist families, in this State, have been obliged to seek the kind of instruction, which our model homes are intended to give, in the homes and schools of other denominations, and we have not yet sufficient accommodation for the number who desire such instruction.

With the completion of the third story, which is now unfinished, the

building will accommodate fifty girls, and this ought to be accomplished during the present year, as every room will be occupied as soon as completed. The building is admirably adapted to its purpose, and so far as the furnishing is completed, it is both substantial and beautiful.

External improvements, such as walks and drains, are greatly needed, and for these. and the finishing of the third floor, we must depend upon the continued liberality of those who have helped to bring this building to its present stage of completeness.

The opportunity for usefulness opening before us at this point is almost unlimited. The people for whose benefit the work has been undertaken greatly appreciate our efforts in their behalf, and will assist in supporting the work to the extent of their ability. An excellent religious sentiment pervades the school, and the outlook is in every way most encouraging.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona, (Spanish.)

The former Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Willing, who so earnestly and lovingly cared for this work, and presented it in many places, visited the field about four years ago. Since that time conditions have changed, and methods will have to be adapted to present needs. What these are cannot be clearly defined until your present Secretary shall have visited New Mexico.

Las Vegas.

Under the head of Spanish work we have, at Las Vegas, N. M., a day school for girls and women, taught by Miss Nellie Snider. Miss Mary Tripp has been with Miss Snider the past year, acting as missionary, visiting, holding mothers' meetings and sewing classes; also Sunday services, while becoming familiar with the Spanish language. She now pleads for the privilege of going out and opening new work. And the fields are white, the harvest for the Master may be great, if we but furnish the means.

Albuquerque.

At Albuquerque, N. M., we have a home in a small house containing six rooms. Mrs. Annie Norton, who has labored for years under great difficulties, needed a reinforcement, and one year ago Miss Margaret A. Tripp was sent. Miss Emma Ernsberger, who went from Buffalo at the same time, was providentially detained at Albuquerque, and entered the Spanish-American work.

As soon as Miss Tripp was sufficiently familiar with the language she pushed her way among the outlying and neglected settlements near Albuquerque.

A room was hired and into it came mothers, grandmothers and daughters to learn English and sewing. These people see the incoming of a different element of society, and desire better things for their children than they have had. Miss Tripp succeeded in arousing a spirit of watchfulness among the priests, at the same time doing much good at Durannes.

Mrs. Norton has patiently kept her post, and with the aid of Miss Ernsberger the home school has increased, and a day school that has been filled with eager pupils is also carried on. Before the close of the year Miss Ernsberger was sufficiently conversant with the language, and opened a day school in the Spanish American church in Old Town.

In this hot bed of Romanism it was a bold venture; but mothers came, and desiring to have their daughters taught, requested that a room be hired for the school, as they did not wish to send them to a church.

A room was secured, and, by the time that the hot weather compelled the closing of the school, Miss Ernsberger had so great a hold upon the hearts of her pupils that several followed her to the day school in the home this year.

Our home and school opened in September with a full house. (Remember,

it has only six small rooms.) There is no question now but if we had the building and the means of support, a grand work for the Master might be done.

Never, since the beginning of the work in New Mexico, have our missionaries met with such encouragement as during the past six months.

With a wise arrangement of time for work and study no moments are wasted.

Concerning our work, Bishop Mallalieu writes:

October 24, 1891.

"I desire to call your attention to the great possibilities before the Woman's Home Missionary Society in New Mexico. You ought at once to have a building that would accommodate 100 girls. You can certainly have the girls if you will take care of them. It will take money, but you can secure it.

"At Las Vegas is a most hopeful field; you might have another hundred here. I believe there are buildings in both places that might be found that would answer your purpose. I write these things, because I feel a deep interest in the work of your Society, and because there are nearly 160,000 people in this Territory, 100,000 of whom are in the bonds of ignorance and superstition. This Territory will soon become a State and it is of the utmost importance that Protestantism should assert itself here."

At the late sessions of the two Mission Conferences in New Mexico—the Spanish and the English—resolutions were adopted urging our Society to enlarge its work among the people of New Mexico, and especially to erect at Albuquerque an Industrial Home for the domestic training of girls, and where they can receive more direct religious instruction than in the day schools.

What more can I say, only to ask how will you support this work? A comparatively small amount has been pledged for Albuquerque. We need $4,000 at once. The gold and the silver belong to our God, and shall we withhold the portion committed to us as his stewards?

MRS. ANNA KENT, *Secretary*.

Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona, (Indian.)

In assuming charge of the Bureau for Indian Work in New Mexico and Arizona, my first experience was a disappointment. Miss Ernsberger, who had been sent out from Buffalo to teach in the government school at Ft. Defiance, until needed in the Navajoe Mission, after traveling as far as Albuquerque, N. M., learned that the position had been filled by the agent. This was a trial of faith, but we took it to the Lord and he opened another door for her in the Spanish work, where she is doing excellent work. There have been other disappointments, but these we believe have been providential, leading to a better location for our mission. A plot of ground has been secured on the reservation near the San Juan river, in a beautiful valley, where the climate is very salubrious, more healthful than Colorado, and where all kinds of supplies can be purchased at a much lower price than at Ft. Defiance. All kinds of small fruits, melons, sweet potatoes, and raisin grapes, etc., are grown there.

October 14th, two missionaries, Mrs. Eldridge and Miss Raymond, started from Lawrence, Kan., for this field. They come to us highly recommended by Dr. and Mrs. Dorchester and others, having been employed in the government schools for several years. They both sacrifice $100 to take up this work, Mrs. Eldridge being offered a flattering position at Carlyle, and Miss Raymond in a government school in Dakota, but feeling the Lord had called them to missionary work, they declined those offers. To one not called of the Lord there could be no attractions in this field.

They will be located 70 miles from the railroad, and as far from a church in any direction, and several miles from any white woman. We most earnestly solicit your prayers in their behalf.

At Dulce, our faithful missionaries are still toiling on in their miserable little adobe hut with a measure of success. Two Mexican families have been converted,

and as there is no church of our denomination in that vicinity, have joined the Presbyterian, until such time as a Methodist Church shall be formed; but our missionaries hold services in the house of one every Sabbath, also at times during the week. The most successful work is done among the Indians by visiting them in their tents, and allowing them to come to the mission where they can be taught in simple language the way of life. One Apache girl has been converted, and is very helpful at the mission. Much better work could be done if these teachers had a larger building in which they could take the children under their constant care. The Indians are very anxious for the school. They do not like to have their children sent off the reservation, as so many have died at the Government schools. The first time the missionaries went out to visit the Indians, as they approached the camp they saw several children playing about, but as soon as these children saw the white faces of the missionaries they fled in every direction, some running up the sides of the mountain and hiding behind the large boulders, others into the teepes and under the fur rugs that carpeted the floor; they were so frightened that they shook as though in a chill. As the missionaries entered one tent the mother said "What for you come, got no papoose, no want you come take papoose school die," but after being assured that they did not come to take their children away the Indians were very friendly, and the children soon learned to trust them. One boy who was anxious for an education came to the mission and wanted to stay with them all the time. Not having room, they were obliged to turn him away, but he remained a long time crying and sobbing as though his heart would break. The missionaries have been very successful in caring for and treating the sick, and have not lost a patient by death.

Both missionaries have been away on vacation; Miss Clegg for several months because of failing health. Both returned in greatly improved condition, but unfortunately Miss Moore took a severe cold and is now very ill with pneumonia. Need I ask your prayers for this faithful consecrated sister? I am sure every heart will plead with the dear Father not only to restore her to health, but to give us the money to build their much needed house. A friend of Miss Clegg (not a Methodist) has pledged $500.00 for this building. But as much more is needed before the work should be commenced. The allotting agent has been at Dulce allotting the lands in severalty, and has assigned us 80 acres of the best, in a most desirable location. Will not some Conference take this mission and help to establish a work that will be rich in blessings to the needy Navajoes.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary*.

Bureau for Mormons.

The past year has been one of prosperity in our Utah missions. The plan of management adopted was to strengthen and develop the work rather than to extend it. The attendance in some of the schools has more than doubled. For some cause the attendance at the Grantsville and Ephraim schools became so small that we thought it best to close them, and transfer the teachers to other schools where the numbers had increased to such an extent that more teachers were needed.

In the Columbus Home at Elsinore, Miss Christine Larsen, teacher, there were twenty-one pupils, five of them from Mormon families, eleven who had been Mormons, and five who were Gentiles. The amount of money collected for incidental expenses was $97.50. Miss Larsen's Sunday School numbered forty, and she had a full house at her Sunday evening meetings. She is very hopeful for the coming year.

The Leech Home at Spring City, in charge of Miss Mary Larsen, had an enrollment last year of fifty-six, which was the largest number ever reported for that school. Miss Larsen, after over three years of service in Utah, returns home this year on account of her health. Her place is filled by Miss Winters.

The school at Spanish Fork, taught by Miss Casperson, had a very successful year. There were fifty-five in the day school, and her Sunday school was very interesting. Miss Casperson had to resign her work on account of her mother's failing health, and her place is taken by Miss Breed, who says that she finds a wide field of labor, and is very glad she has been sent there.

The school at Richfield has been taught for several years by Miss Hoserud, who has been successful in her day and Sunday schools, both schools having increased in numbers every year. She also leaves the work this year, and the school is now in charge of Miss Petersen.

Gurley Home, at Moroni, has been painted, a fence put around it, some shade trees have been planted, and an additional room has been added for the teacher's comfort. The money for these improvements was raised by Miss Mary Iverson in her own Conference, the North-west Iowa, when she was home last year. The school here numbers twenty, and is taught by Miss Jensen.

Thomson Home, at Mt. Pleasant, taught by Miss Helgeson, has been a great success. Last year there were three teachers employed in it, one by the Parent Board and two by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Miss Helgeson has returned home and now has charge of a home of her own in Oregon, Miss Arnold taking her place at Mt. Pleasant.

Philadelphia Conference Home, in Logan, in charge of Miss Sweet, who went there last year, was a month late in opening. This explains why there were not more scholars in the school. Miss Sweet reports forty-one enrolled, and expects to accomplish much more this year. She writes: "The children all enjoyed the industrial department, and were very helpful in keeping the school rooms clean and neat. I have tried to make it a model home in every way." She had three girls boarding in the Home, who had been Mormons, but were apostatized from the church, and became Methodists. About two-thirds of her school are from Mormon families. She also has a temperance school, seventy-four having signed the pledge.

Miss Kellogg has had charge of the East Ohio Home in Provo for the past two years, but is compelled to give up the work on account of her health. She reports twenty-eight in the day school, and an interesting Sunday School. This school is now in charge of Miss Hansen.

Spencer Home, Salt Lake City, has been enlarged during the year, and is to be the home of our missionaries in that city. Miss Erickson, who has taught there since it was opened, returns home this year for a rest. She had seventy-six scholars enrolled last year. Miss Julia Iverson has taken charge of it for this year. The North-west Iowa Conference Society has raised $500 towards paying for the enlargement of the building. The city missionaries are doing good work. Mrs. Hansen reports having made over 1,300 visits, and given forty-four Bible readings, besides assisting at camp-meetings, and taking charge of the pulpit for three months during the pastor's illness. One of the pastors on her district writes in glowing terms of her work. Miss Dunn writes: "I am so thankful that the Lord has given me some part in this work. I sometimes wish that the days had thirty-six instead of twenty-four hours; there is so much to be done in rescuing perishing souls." Miss Mary Iverson writes: "I have found much to do for the Master during the winter. I was among the sick a great deal, watching with them at nights, as much as strength would permit. God gave me grace to comfort the dying, and tell them of Jesus, mighty to save. One woman who did not want me to tell her of Jesus, the first time I saw her, has learned to love me through my ministering to her sick neighbors."

The women of the Church must not feel that, because the Government is enforcing the law, they must withhold their help and support from the poor, deluded women of Utah. The law cannot take the place of the gospel, but it can help to open the way for it. The Utah Conference passed a resolution asking the Parent Board, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to make larger appropriations this year than ever before for the work in Utah. "Let us come to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

MRS. R. W. P. GOFF, *Secretary.*

Bureau for Indians.

We have made considerable progress in our Indian missions this year. It may not be known that our Church has, to a great extent, discontinued its early fervor in the cause of Indian missions. The Woman's Home Missionary Society therefore has comparatively few stations in this department of work. There are four in Indian Ter., one in Washington, and one begun in California.

At Pawnee,

our work has been increasingly prosperous. This is our oldest mission. We employ here a lady, and a pious Indian woman who lives with her and interprets. This interpreter has been supported until this summer by the ladies of Cortland, N. Y. A band of boys at Union City, Pa., bought the pony, without which it is impossible to reach the Indians. The plan adopted last fall to visit the four distant bands for the purpose of singing, praying and conversing with them in their camps, and showing them how to nurse the sick, and how to cook, was not entered upon until some time in the summer. The missionary will keep a record of these gospel journeys, which will appear from time to time in our paper. The Philadelphia Conference has faithfully cared for this mission. The expense of the itinerary outfit was about $200, which was all, or nearly all, specially contributed. The Pawnees steadily improve, and there have been some happy Christian deaths. The cottage is in good repair, and the yard, by the liberality of a lady, has been set with fruit trees.

Ponca

is 35 miles from Pawnee. The missionary, Rev. S. G. Bundy, reports three conversions; has been absent during the summer; returned in August, since which he has been occupied in visiting, because of the prevalence of sickness. Sixty dollars of the appropriation asked for the year is for building a cellar wall and granary. The death of his lamented wife, last October, has left him alone with our work the past year. But we think it has been faithfully done. We have a comfortable cottage, constantly frequented by Indians, and ten acres of well cultivated land. This mission has been successfully conducted by the ladies of Troy Conference, who now, because of new work, desire to be relieved of this care, commending it to a Conference nearer the mission.

At Pawhuska,

in the Osage nation, we have the Adelaide Springer Osage Mission, so named by the Upper Iowa Conference, which gave $1,100 in one year for our cottages. The school here is very prosperous. Though early in the season, we now have 59 pupils enrolled. This is a contract school, the government allowing $125 per annum for each pupil, which nearly meets the expenses. Mrs. E. A. Marsh, of Connecticut, assumed the superintendency last December and has given universal satisfaction. There are two teachers. One day in the week is devoted to sewing, especially to all kinds of mending, which is much enjoyed by the pupils. A part of the pupils are wholly Indians, a part nearly white. They learn well and are both docile and vivacious.

At these three stations, through the influence of our missions, churches have been erected and regular services are held. At Pawhuska, where the Roman Catholics have had undisputed sway for nearly fifty years, the Parent Board has been enabled to erect a neat church, which is crowded every Sabbath. Thanks be unto God, who alone gave us the victory.

Stickney Home.

During the year, this Home at Nooksachk, Wash., has been built, and so soon as furnished it will be ready for occupancy. Bro. Carr, our esteemed missionary from Alaska, has kindly attended to clearing the land, contracting

for the building and its erection without expense to us. It is hoped that we may be able to secure his permanent service as superintendent of Home and farming. He says if we had farming requisites we could raise all the vegetables the family would need this year. Shall we have them?

Arapahoes.

Among the Arapahoes and Cheyennes, a large reservation, we began a mission in August. Mrs. Roberts, wife of Rev. J. E. Roberts, is our missionary. Together they have visited the Indian lodges, and report several hundred visits and many interesting incidents. The Mennonites have a school among these people, but a large part of them are without any instruction and in gross darkness. The missionary is located at El Reno, in two small rooms, while laboring for Christ among the thousands on this reservation.

The Onward Look.

Under the wise policy of Gen. Morgan, the education of the Indians is relegated to the government, and the schools and employes heretofore suffering from changes, and sometimes incompetency, are to be removed from the fluctuations of politics and placed under the order of the civil service. A rigid examination of teachers will be required, and no incompetent persons will be employed. Our future policy then will be this: Having no schools but the two we now have, one at Pawhuska, the other at Nooksachk, we shall, therefore, need no expensive buildings. Our work will be to carry the gospel, and those ministries which are related thereto, in order to promote a better life with better surroundings.

Throughout our extensive West, in scores of places, we need to plant the standard of our Lord. Here are to be future cities. We are appalled at the wickedness of our great cities; shall we not hasten to prevent a similar condition in those about to cover our West with their human life?

The plea for Indian missions is a plea for our cities yet to be, which we cannot, from an economic point of view, afford to disregard, and certainly must heed from the higher standpoint of the gospel.

Therefore, let it be remembered that, in saving the Indians, we are saving the future of our own race in the West. MRS. H. C. MCCABE, *Secretary*.

Bureau for Alaska.

On the 18th of August, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. McKinney, with their babe, left their home in Pennsylvania for Unga, Alaska, to take up the work so successfully begun by Bro. Carr. A very rough passage from San Francisco consumed a whole month. On their arrival, our property was found all safe and ready for use. The school was opened with 24 scholars, and "more to follow." Children from the adjacent islands desire to come to this school, but there is nowhere for them to stay. Men from the gold mines want an evening school, and Brother McKinney will have one for them. Quite a lot of books had been sent from the States for use among the people; for these he made a library case. They will be of great benefit to the miners and others who can read English. No one can do a better thing than to send by mail, well protected, good, instructive books to fill this case. They should not be strictly religious, or they will not be used. Histories, biographies and elevating stories, (all in coarse print,) will greatly aid our missionaries in leading these people to a better life.

Unalaska.

Notwithstanding the Alaska Commercial Co., upon which we are dependent for all our shipping, had promised to take the lumber for our Home, yet, when the time came to send it, they had no room. Again we must wait until spring. This may be well, as the money we then had would not pay for a building half large enough to meet the requirements. We now have $7,000 in the

treasury. Dr. Jackson assures us that a $12,000 house will be none too large. Before the first outgoing steamer in the spring we should have *ten thousand dollars*. Shall we?

In March, Miss Richardson, of Connecticut, started for Unalaska. Her letter in August *Home Missions* tells of the privations which she endured. Although at that time well, in a short time her health began to fail. Physicians assured her that if she wanted to save her life she must come home. She was greatly disappointed and depressed—for she loved the children and the work—but consented, and is now again at her home still suffering from nervous prostration. Under different circumstances she might have been there still. There must be two ladies to take the work of the new Home. Where are they, and the money to send to them?

Miss Richardson affirms what Prof. Tuck has told us of the rapid improvement of these girls in the Home. One of the most satisfactory things is the gratitude they manifest for any kindness shown them. Almost without exception they are willing and glad to aid in doing the work of the house. They are remarkably quick to learn what they are best adapted to, and what they greatly prefer to do, and yet are not unwilling to do anything required of them. Here are descriptions of a few of the girls: "* * She is the daughter of a former chief. * * Is quick and decidedly artistic; would make a splendid milliner or dressmaker." Of another "* * She came to us broken down from starvation and ill-treatment. * * Wonderfully improved every way. She is good to work, willing, systematic, faithful; rather slow in books, but quick and bright in every other way." Miss Richardson says of one who came to the Home: "She had been living out of doors; would stay out for days and nights, sleeping in out-houses or wherever she could find a place. She had a strange looking face, with small, black eyes, and one of the most wicked expressions I ever saw, not excepting those I have seen in the slums of New York. * * After staying awhile she ran away, tired of confinement, I suppose. Mr. Tuck found her in a hole in the ground. She refused to come out. When he attempted to take her out she used her finger-nails and teeth upon his hands vigorously. He succeeded in getting her out and home, and from that time to the present her improvement has been marked. Even the expression of her face is changing. The old wicked, fiendish look is fast disappearing. She goes about her work singing and seemingly happy." Of another, she says: "To show that they understand the meaning of what we teach them, although they can't always express it, I will tell you of our only little boy. He is a bright little fellow of 8 years. One day he was singing 'Come to Jesus;' he could not get the last words, so he sang 'Come to Jesus right straight.'" We might have scores more of such children had we the means. *We have not.*

Prof. Tuck says it will not cost less than one dollar each per week to feed these children. *Where shall we get it?* Will not some of the many, whose dear ones are safe within the pearly gates help to answer this question and thereby have the privilege of hearing the words found in Matt. 25: 35, 36, at the last great reckoning day?

While lingering between the two worlds, said a young girl to her mother, "if I should not get well I should like to have papa give as much every year to the missionaries as it costs to take care of me." *Are there those who will do this?*

MRS. L. H. DAGGETT, *Secretary*.

Bureau for Supplies.

At no time in the history of our Bureau has there been so much required of us as during the past year. The outlook at the beginning filled us with grave apprehensions as to our ability to meet the situation. Through failure of crops for three successive years, many of the people in our western missionary field had been reduced from a state of comparative comfort to one of poverty and deep distress. Very few had money. Those who had a little

carefully saved it to buy food. The best food they could obtain was often coarse, and of a very unsatisfactory kind. They could not obtain clothing, and in some instances had not sufficient fuel to keep themselves warm. In their deep distress, pastors and people came for aid to our grand Home Missionary Society, through its Bureau of Supplies. The appeals for aid have never been so numerous nor so piteous. One mother writes, "That for weeks during the absence of her husband upon his circuit, the only food the family had was brown bread and sorghum." Another says, "If you could know how closely pressed for the necessities of life some of the pastors are, you would wonder how they could remain and so faithfully perform their work. We could not stay, except for God's sustaining grace, and *his* cause does prosper in our hands." By your generous help we have been enabled to meet and relieve each case, even up to the last moment of our year. Nor has it been necessary at any time to make an appeal for assistance through our Church papers. That day has, I trust, forever gone by. In pursuing this course of silence we have been able to reach and help in a quiet way many worthy ministers who, though needy, are modest and self-respectful, and would rather suffer than have their destitute condition made public.

We have tried to supply the wants of all our fields in so far as they have been presented to us. Our most important work has been on the western and northern frontier, where the people suffer from cold. A friend sojourning in the South during the winter became interested in the poor white people about her. Their condition was extremely sad. Poorly clad, illy fed, and without the necessities of life in their rude homes, a feeling of sympathy was awakened in her heart for them which prompted her to write to me for assistance. A number of barrels of suitable supplies were sent to her. Through this agency and her personal efforts in house to house visitation and teachings, the people have been greatly benefited. They are trying to lift themselves into a better, higher life. They wish our Society to send them a teacher this winter. We have sent furnishings to Ritter Home as soon as we have known the demand. This home has a warm place in the hearts of the people. The little orphan girl in our Mothers' Jewels Home will be lovingly cared for by little girls in one of our eastern cities. Many barrels are in preparation for this love-crowned home for orphan children. We have been fortunate in the special arrangement made with Chaplain McCabe, whereby all cases of need received at the mission rooms in New York City are turned over to our efficient Secretary of Supplies for the New York Conference. The result of this arrangement has been most satisfactory. Through the zeal and efficiency of this lady, many churches have been aroused to an interest, which has developed into the organization of an auxiliary at several points.

The little leaflet of the Bureau has found its way into the homes of the people, and is to-day silently instructing them in this branch of Home Missionary work. Letters of information regarding our general work, letters of encouragement to weak societies, letters to be read by the pastor before the congregation to interest the people in the preparation of a barrel, have consumed much of the time of your Secretary.

The heavy work of the year, with severe illness of her family, has prevented the usual articles for the paper. Only two itemized reports have appeared, each covering a period of four months instead of three, as has been the custom. Our third and last report will appear in the December paper. It has been almost impossible for me to take the time each quarter to prepare this laborious report for publication. The system of vouchers now in use has done away with the necessity of such a report, hence I have tried to lessen work.

The prospect for the coming year is encouraging. Crops have been abundant, and the future for these poor people upon our western border is more hopeful than it has been for years. It will require two or three years of prosperity, however, before they can recover from the losses and hardships of the last three years. The ministers must look to us for help in the meantime. They will need your offerings and help this winter, as will also our Indian Missions.

May I urge you to improve the character of your supplies sent to ministers? Reject everything that is not neat, clean, and serviceable. Send some tasteful thing for use, or for adornment of the home—a picture, a pretty dish, a vase or choice book. Our ministers all need new clothing. They must have it. See if you can not get some for your barrel. Second-hand clothing that may be cut down for children is always desired. The arrival of the missionary barrel is the event of the year in many of these frontier homes. Let us make it an event of joy, long to be remembered. Be careful to report accurately every item required by the blank. Write your Conference, city and church upon every letter you write to your Secretary. Remember that credits can not be given unless the reports are received.

Five years ago to-day I received at your hands the Bureau of Supplies. Had I known the magnitude of what was then placed in my hands, I should have declined the trust. I have given it almost all my waking hours since that time. It has become a consuming care, absorbing everything else. You, dear sisters, have greatly aided me in caring for this trust, by your generous offerings and loving sympathy. You will rejoice with me at the success which has crowned our labors. I return you this Bureau to-day, with an increase of an hundred fold. You will give it into other hands; you will continue your interest and your generous gifts. The work will go steadily on, though the workers fall out by the way, for

"Behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above his own."

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES.

Forwarded from November 1, 1890, to November 1, 1891.

NAMES OF CONFERENCES.	Estimated value.	NAMES OF CONFERENCES.	Estimated value.
Baltimore,	$1,862 52	New Jersey,	$ 990 91
California,	983 25	New York,	5,125 62
Central Illinois,	1,257 81	New York East,	1,483 24
Central New York,	1,564 65	North Indiana,	401 87
Central Ohio,	638 98	North Nebraska,	1,960 70
Central Pennsylvania,	702 21	Northern New York,	1,798 53
Cincinnati,	1,901 87	North Ohio,	936 13
Colorado,	316 35	North-west Indiana,	97 36
Columbia River,	122 20	North-west Iowa,	629 36
Des Moines,	282 15	North-west Kansas,	7 15
Detroit,	2,852 45	Ohio,	800 26
East Ohio,	2,068 03	Philadelphia,	2,493 87
Erie,	1,751 56	Pittsburgh,	1,908 97
Genesee,	3,787 48	Rock River,	2,699 01
Holston,	67 73	South-east Indiana,	391 92
Illinois,	856 12	South Kansas,	237 75
Indiana,	75 00	South-west Kansas,	817 43
Iowa,	1,364 10	St. Louis,	120 00
Kansas,	957 55	Troy,	2,837 37
Kentucky,	174 09	Upper Iowa,	683 86
Maine,	269 00	Vermont,	677 32
Michigan,	200 00	West Wisconsin,	236 70
Minnesota,	900 00	Wilmington,	226 86
Nebraska,	652 77	Wyoming,	743 30
Newark,	2,783 92		
New England,	4,679 86		
New England Southern,	1,607 00		
New Hampshire,	626 56		

Total for the year . . . $63,733 70

Increase over last year, 9,780 83

MRS. MARY T. LODGE, *Secretary.*

Bureau for Young People's Work.

Our Circles and Bands number 350, thirty-six new organizations having been added during 1890–91. Very much interest is shown in the formation of Queen Esther Circles, including girls of sixteen years and over, with young men as honoraries. Lucy Hayes Bands are not forming as rapidly as in years past; we all miss the inspiration of her presence for whom the Bands were named.

There has never been a year in which so much effort has been made for *boys*, as during the past. Many inquiries have been made as to how to interest the coming men of this generation in the work of Home Missions. To answer all demands made upon the Secretary in this and other lines, six leaflets have been added to the literature of this department. "Our Queen Esther Girls" and "Work for Queen Esther Circles," by Miss Van Marter; "How to Interest Boys in Missions," and "An Open Letter to Workers," by the Secretary; "A Dialogue for Boys," by Mrs. Shepherd, of Oswego, N. Y., and a "Dialogue on Tithes and Tenths," by an unknown writer. A large number of these leaflets have been distributed throughout the Church. These may be had upon application to the Secretary of the Bureau, enclosing postage.

Mrs. Thacker's Exercises, published in *Woman's Home Missions*, are very helpful, containing much instruction in attractive form. Mrs. N. C. Alger writes in a pleasing manner. A quantity of badges have been purchased and are an incentive. These may be obtained at 15 cents each, of Mrs. Thacker, Defiance, O.

Thousands of Mothers' Jewels have been enrolled—little ones from a day old to eight years being enlisted for the support of Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.

For six years the Secretary has endeavored to build up the work of this department, but the time has now come when a successor must be appointed. Sincerely attached to the children and young people of our Church, and to the scores of workers who still write me for information and encouragement, I reluctantly bid you all adieu.

MRS. W. A. INGHAM, *Secretary*.

Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

In attempting to make the matter of Local Work plain I shall begin by telling what it is not.

It is *not* the use of money for repairs upon parsonage or church, or for furnishing either parsonage or church.

It is *not* the use of money for payment of any part of the preacher's salary, or for payment in whole or in part of any indebtedness of the church.

It is *not* the disbursing of the quarterly collections among the poor of the church.

It is *not* the use of money for any of the local charities, such as orphan asylums, widows' homes, temperance "shelters," and reading-rooms. These are beautiful charities, and the women of our Church should contribute their full share in labor and money to their support, but they are not the enterprises of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

What is the Local Work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society?

1st. It is purely missionary work. What do we regard as the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in New Orleans? The employment of missionaries for house to house visiting, for conducting mothers' meetings, temperance meetings, etc.; the organization and support of industrial schools, and industrial classes; the establishment of employment bureaus, and of occupations for the unemployed; the feeding the hungry and clothing the naked;

the leading of backsliders to the fold again, and sinners to a knowledge of Christ, by religious literature, by the Sunday School, by conversation and prayer, by reporting to pastors of churches for further care and spiritual help; the care of the sick, and assistance to the poor in the funeral rites of the dead; the going to those *beyond* and carrying the gospel to them; this is missionary work in New Orleans and Savannah. This, too, is missionary work in Chicago, Boston, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Columbus, Knoxville, Detroit, Dayton, everywhere, the same.

Why call it Local Work then if it does not differ from other work? Why make a distinction between Cincinnati and New Orleans; between Pittsburgh and Jacksonville, Florida?

This is the reason. Pittsburgh, for example, raises two funds, which she keeps entirely separate. She raises one fund to pay a missionary or teacher in Jacksonville, Fla., and to build her a house to teach in; she raises another fund, by other methods, to pay a missionary in Pittsburgh, and to build her a building for her work. The first money she does not send to Jacksonville to be used, but to Cincinnati, and it is disbursed as this Board of Managers shall direct; but the fund that is raised to employ her own missionary and to build her own building, she does not send to Cincinnati at all; she disburses it through her own committees and sends her *vouchers*, that is, her receipted bills, to the Treasurer in Cincinnati. The funds are administered in the *locality* where they are raised, and therefore it is *local* work.

What assurance has the Woman's Home Missionary Society that this privilege of using funds where they are raised will not be abused?

1st. No *Membership dues* can be used for Local Work.

2d. All funds used for Local Work must be raised for that special purpose.

3d. All money so used must be reported by voucher by the Conference Treasurer to the General Treasurer, stating the uses to which the money has been put. If these uses are not proper ones it will be discovered and can be corrected.

What then has the Secretary of the Bureau of Local Work to do in the matter?

1st. Her approval of work is to be sought before the work is undertaken, when there is any doubt as to the character of the work.

2d. All work of this sort is to be reported to her annually, that she, and the Board of Managers, may judge whether it is in missionary lines, and the work for which the Woman's Home Missionary Society wishes to be responsible; for we must always remember that we are all members one of another, and if one member suffer all the members suffer with it. Every auxiliary has the honor and integrity of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its keeping.

How shall the reports of Local Work be made?

1st. The Conference Treasurer should report all money expended, item by item, to Mrs. Clark, the General Treasurer, sending her vouchers to correspond to these items, as she sends her check to correspond to her Conference report item by item.

2d. The Conference Corresponding Secretary should send to the Bureau Secretary a carefully prepared statement of the kind of work being done in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in her Conference, the names of missionaries employed, and the amount and success of the work. The Bureau Secretary has nothing to do with the *money*. She wants to know about the work.

Is it a satisfactory report to state simply that so many dollars have been expended in local work in a given auxiliary or Conference?

Not at all, any more than it would be for the Committee on Jacksonville or New Orleans to report a given amount expended with no statement as to *how* it

was expended. The money used in local work belongs to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the Society has a right to know how it is expended if the Society is asked to give credit for it.

Do you ask where does the line come between Deaconess work, Immigrant work and Local work? I answer: the work that takes its appropriations from this body and pays its money into the general treasury *does not* come into the Bureau of Local Work. All city work that raises and disburses a special fund for its own uses, employs its own workers, devises its own methods and pays its own bills, *should report through the Bureau of Local Work.* If for any reason any locality is, by the Board of Managers, made an exception to this general rule, such locality has no relation to the Local Bureau.

Are there any blanks provided for reporting Local Work?

Yes; a blank form for reporting was gotten out as a suggestion or guide for the work of missionaries, which does very well for monthly and quarterly reports, but it does not cover all kinds of work, and is not so good for an annual report as a written statement of *what* has been done and *how.* The same blank will answer for both the auxiliary and the Conference report by a slight modification. There is also a blank for the Treasurer's report, which, by a little change, can be used for both Auxiliary and Conference Treasurers. The missionary should report to the auxiliary every month, and the auxiliary to the Conference officers every quarter. The Conference officers should report to the Bureau Secretary and the General Treasurer each quarter. At the end of the fourth quarter there should be a summary of work, so stated as to be used in the Bureau Secretary's annual report of Local Work.

A large amount of Local work is reported for the current year, but much of it with such indefiniteness that the Secretary of the Bureau can give no details. From such reports as give interesting items I make the following extracts. Mrs. Kellicott, Chairman of the Committee on Local Work for the City of Columbus, reports as follows:

The auxiliaries of Columbus, O., united the last year in supporting a missionary, Mrs. L. Hurlbut, who has labored most effectively under the direction of Rev. James Haig. Mission stations have been established in the centers of wickedness, and much good has been accomplished. As soon as a mission building is erected and regular services begun it becomes self-supporting with the exception of the missionary's salary. Mrs. Hurlbut has given her days to visiting and her evenings to religious services. During the year she has attended 506 religious meetings, 110 of which she conducted personally, both in mission halls, private houses and the city prison. She has accomplished much lasting good in her Sunday School classes—one class of men in the morning, and a class of forty mothers in the afternoon. One man, now a steadfast helper in the mission, was first found in the prison—a drunkard—his home just broken up and family wretched. The man promised to come to Mrs. Hurlbut's Sunday School class. He came and was soon converted. He has lived a sober, Christian life for two years; saves his earnings, and now brings his family to the meetings in his own carriage every Sunday. Several drunkards have been saved in much the same way. She says:

"My visiting has been among the non-church-going people. I have sought to lead them to Christ and to the Church; to comfort and encourage heart-broken, discouraged women; the city is full of them. Not all non-church-goers are vicious; many are only needing a kind and loving friend to guide and show them the better way. I have also sought to care for the sick and destitute, to improve the condition of the children of wicked parents, and to provide for homeless and forsaken children. I have made 3,075 visits, have distributed 1,910 tracts and papers; found 304 persons who attended no church, 34 of whom I know were brought to attend church services. Seventy-nine children were brought to attend Sabbath school, besides children brought to day school, and needy families helped." Again she says: "My work has brought me in contact with some of the most depraved, and has led to some trying experiences. Twice I have been called upon to conduct a funeral service, once of a very

wicked woman, the rooms being filled with some of the worst characters in the city. It was not an easy duty, but the Master's grace was sufficient. At another time it became necessary for me to conduct the funeral of a little child; here God so manifested himself that three women boldly asked us to pray for them, and kneeling beside the dead, we prayed the heavenly Father to forgive and save the living."

A gospel tent was erected on Long Street for two months this summer, and services were held here every evening and often in the afternoon. Over ninety conversions were the result, and now the people of that neighborhood are begging for a mission hall that they may have these services regularly.

Our auxiliaries feel that in no other way could they have accomplished more good with the $250 than has been done by employing Mrs. Hurlbut, and all agree to support her for the coming year. No industrial classes have yet been opened.

Mrs. N. H. Bump, Secretary of Binghamton District, Wyoming Conference, reports increasing interest in Local work. On Binghamton District two auxiliaries have organized for Local work, both doing good service. Tabernacle Church, Binghamton, has employed a missionary for the past year, concerning whose work a delightful report is made. She has called upon 138 families not attending any church, 46 of which have become regular attendants. She has brought 67 children to Sunday School, has held 25 religious services, and 23 mothers' meetings, and has seen many converted. She has a little girl's sewing school, where Scripture texts, hymns, psalms and prayers are learned. One feature of this faithful missionary's work is new, and I quote:

She has also been very successful in establishing a Home Class, composed of those who, for some cause, can not or do not attend Sunday School. The members of this class sign a pledge stating that they will study the prescribed lesson, for at least one-half hour each week. They are entitled to all the privileges of the Sunday School, and are given a special invitation on every extra occasion. By these means many are induced not only to study the Bible, but after a little time to attend Sunday School and church services regularly. One hundred and thirteen persons have joined the Home Class in this church.

Mrs. A. R. Timmins, the Secretary for Local work in Cleveland, reports the formation four years ago of the auxiliaries of the various churches into a Local union for carrying forward city work. Two missionaries are employed by this "Union." I quote from the report:

Although our anticipations have not been realized, yet a good work has been done. The last year has been more prosperous than either of the preceding three. We are gaining ground; our work is better understood, and we have much cause for thankfulness. Our missionaries have made more than six thousand visits among the poor and sick the last year. They give Bible readings to those who can not go to church; hold three cottage prayer meetings each week, and distribute tracts and religious literature among the people. They have brought 120 regular scholars to Sabbath School. In each of their respective fields they have established a sewing school with an average attendance of 60, where the children are taught to sew, and while doing so to repeat passages of Scripture and sing our hymns; and in which many garments are made that are given to the poor.

Mrs. Schoyer, of the Pittsburgh Conference, reports for the fifth year the work of two missionaries in the coke regions. The following is the report of these missionaries for one month of the year—August: "During the month of August we made 150 visits, held 20 mothers' and children's meetings, distributed 287 foreign tracts, books, papers and Testaments, besides hundreds of papers, cards, tickets and Testaments in the English language. The children have, during the summer, contributed five dollars to the Mothers' Jewels Home."

The following extracts are from Mrs. Bickley's report for Philadelphia Conference:

The Local Work of the Philadelphia Conference embraces the Deaconess, the Immigrant and the Italian work. The Immigrant and Deaconess Homes were opened two years ago, and the Deaconess Home has become the headquarters of the different branches of missionary work, the deaconesses being the working force.

On the 16th of October, 1890, two rooms were secured for the Italian work. Day and night schools were soon opened. Four nights a week were given to English classes. Services were held all day Sunday, and sewing classes were held Saturday. A much needed bath room was secured later. The results of this work have been excellent. Bright children from most uncleanly homes are taught cleanliness as well as godliness. A sewing school has been sustained for children of a neglected district. At the Immigrants' Home a sewing class of nearly 100 scholars was sustained during the year. A sewing class has also been opened at Grace Church.

Mrs. T. B. Shepherd reports for Oswego, N. Y., the opening of a mission in a neglected part of the city in charge of Mrs. Wallace. For fifteen weeks, meetings have been held on Sabbath afternoons and every evening, except Saturday, with an average attendance of one hundred, mostly young men and boys from Catholic families. The expense of the mission has been largely borne by Mr. Wallace, who has in this very practical way co-operated with his devoted wife, and who wishes this money regarded as a contribution to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The amount expended is $84 cash, and $62 worth of supplies; total, $146.

Mrs. E. O. Thayer reports work in Maine Conference: Mrs. Tomkinson reports $525 used in care of the sick, in providing clothing and delicacies for those in need, in the payment of rent for those in extremity of poverty, and in all the ways that we are bound by the law of love to help our neighbor.

Mrs. D. L. Brown, of the New England Southern Conference, reports the employment of a French Missionary in Pawtucket, R. I., for a part of the year, which field is opening with much promise for the future. The immediate and pressing necessity of the eastern manufacturing cities is the care of their vast numbers of foreign operatives.

A considerable amount of work is reported by Mrs. Morris for the Cincinnati Conference. St. Paul Church, Springfield, has kept up a well organized system of visitation and relief, with prayer meetings and religious services. Christie Chapel, and York Street, Cincinnati, Middletown, South Charleston and Xenia report work done. St. Paul Church, Cincinnati, has kept a missionary, Mrs. Melvina Davis, in its employ during the year. She has made record of a very large amount of work done. Besides 1,856 visits, with all the related work of distributing garments and religious reading, flowers and food, she reports 86 children brought into the Sunday School, and 35 persons brought into the Church by letter. She makes her home at the Cincinnati mission headquarters, Glenn Home. This beautiful property in the lower part of the city was sold at an extremely low price. It is named for William Glenn, the father of Mrs. Richard Dymond of the Executive Board, who left a legacy to the Society, to which Mrs. Dymond has added by gift. The report of the Corresponding Secretary gives further particulars concerning this Home.

Richmond, Indiana, reports visiting by committees, and supplies distributed; as does also Wilmington Conference, the latter to the value of $395.00; and New England Conference.

Knoxville, Tenn., has an interesting work in charge of Mrs. Addison McCoudras, missionary. Her work is city visiting, distributing food, clothing and reading matter, and carrying the gospel and domestic training into the homes, thus leading the people to better living at home, and into the church. Out of the necessities of her work has grown a little hospital now managed by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, but which will no doubt grow into a city hospital. There is no better or more earnest and enthusiastic work done than that by Mrs. McCoudras in Knoxville.

Michigan Conference still keeps up its Local work in its care for its ministers and their families, and in city work by committees. Grand Rapids employs a missionary, Mrs. Emma C. Henry, in active work, visiting, holding religious services, distributing supplies of food and clothing, and religious reading.

There is no doubt a great amount of unreported work, which belongs to the credit of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, but not a cup of cold water given "in his name" whom we serve shall lose its reward.

DELIA L. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

Bureau for Reading Circle.

During the year the Reading Circle has been cared for, mainly by the Conference Secretaries and those appointed to that special work. As Secretary of the Bureau I have distributed about 5,000 leaflets, and conducted a correspondence somewhat limited owing to the press of other and more immediate duties. The more minute workings of the Reading Circle are set forth in the current November number of the *Woman's Home Missions*, and reproduced in a leaflet, which may be found at this meeting now, and with the Secretary of this Bureau hereafter.

For the sake of convenience it has been our custom to report only the completed work of each year, allowing all other to go over to the credit of the next year. Last year the report of the Corresponding Secretary showed that 1336 members of the Circle had reported to her by blank, while the Bureau Secretary's report claimed 528. The difference is accounted for by the fact that the Bureau Secretary reported upon such work only as was finished and forwarded to her within the prescribed time. It is quite clear that none of the reports adequately represent the work being done.

It may seem to some that the reading is all that is necessary, and the labor of obtaining reports a useless one; but experience proves that these reports add interest to the work, and success in this line tends to strengthen and build up every other department.

The following is the statistical report for the year: Number of years' work, 773; gain over last year, 245; number of books read, 1,546.

THE BANNER goes to the North Ohio Conference on a count of 162; the second in rank is the North-west Iowa Conference, 101; the third is the Indiana Conference, 93; the fourth is the Northern New York Conference, 40.

PRIZES.—$25.00 by Mrs. H. E. Doud, to Mooresville, Indiana, on a count of 93; $20.00 by Mrs. R. S. Rust, to Mansfield, Ohio, on a count of 50; $5.00 from Butler St. (Pittsburg, Pa.) Aux., to Wilmington, Delaware.

STAR COURSE.—It is understood that there is a star course of reading for those who have read the general course, and that one book has been recommended each year at the Annual Meeting for the next in order in this course, but I have thought it best to delay that choice till after the Annual Meeting. When a recommendation is made, notice will be given in *Woman's Home Missions*.

For a long time, I have been searching for a woman who could be induced to share the burden of this office, and it is gratifying to be able to state that we are finding among our tried workers, those who are willing to press the yoke a little harder, in the interests of our work.

Finding it quite impossible for me to act longer as Secretary of this Bureau, I beg in leaving, to express my interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and to ask for my successor the same uniform courtesy and kindness which I have received at the hands of the Society everywhere, from the General Executive Board to the remotest auxiliary.

It is my earnest wish that there should be no break in this department of the work; there is room to improve even upon the excellent record of the past.

I am reminded of the generous donations, both of printed matter and of reduction in prices which we have received from the Methodist Book Concern, in return for our poorly redeemed promises, and our oft-repeated overtures, and we should at least understand the nature of our obligation.

This Bureau was instituted as an experiment, and it has been operated up to the present time as a free will offering; but since its organization, it has contributed to the general treasury in prizes, $100.00 in cash. This fact entitles us to ask for an appropriation not to exceed $25.00, as an expense fund for the next year. The Bureau will be glad to have some friends offer cash prizes for the coming year. This method has stimulated to more and better work than would otherwise have been accomplished. MRS. H. E. DOUD, *Secretary.*

Bureau for Immigrants.

Our great cities are becoming the United States. One-fourth of our people live in large towns. They are massed and manageable for good or ill. Immigrants come at the rate of half a million a year. The question of the hour is what to do with these immigrants. They do not cease to be immigrants when they touch American soil. They live in colonies, and preserve their national habits, speech and vices for years. Mulberry street, New York, is as Italian as any street in Naples. In the Spanish quarter you hear little but Spanish. Each nationality has its quarter. It is as important that the Bureau train and care for its immigrants till they become Americanized as that it lodge them the night of their landing.

The Bureau has been at work three years. It has three Immigrant Girls' Homes, a projected training school for domestic service, and an Italian Mission. It employs seven missionaries.

The New York Immigrant Girls' Home

has been, from the beginning, under the superintendence of Mrs. Matthews. She has given her very life for its success. We regret being obliged to accept her resignation on account of her broken health. Only eternity can give the result of her arduous labors. Mr. Matthews, writing for his sick wife, speaks of the Jesuitical rule, the profanity, obscenity and brutality practiced upon the immigrants landing at Castle Garden, when our Society began its work. He commends the constant, loving aid given our missionaries by the New York Conference Society, and our General Society, and speaks of step after step taken, till at last the United States Government has been roused to take the business into its own hands, and a grand revolution has been effected.

The Government claims our present place for its own buildings. It will receive the immigrants at Ellis Island. We can not fix our own site till we know where the Ellis Island Ferry is to be. We are slowly gathering our building fund, and awaiting the action of the Government.

Mrs. Emmeline Smith, who has had large experience and success as a city missionary and a trained nurse, has been elected Superintendent of the Home. Miss Alma Matthews, long assistant missionary, and most useful in barge office work, has been elected missionary, to give all her time to that service. We are beginning the systematic training of immigrant girls in the domestic industries. We expect great good from this new departure.

East Boston.—The Immigrants' Home

in Boston has had a year of grand success. Mrs. Clark, the missionary, and Mrs. Roach, the assistant, have been faithful and tireless, not only in making the Home a center of noble work, but in helping immigrant families settled in that part of the city. With New England zeal and energy, and wise economy, the ladies have paid $6,000, and expended $3,000 in repairs, leaving a debt of $8,000, the interest on which is provided for in the rent of half the building.

None but those who carry this interest can tell how much we need the whole house for the widening work. We need not only to care for the bewildered strangers who come to us helpless among the vicious—we must do a thousand things for them before they are at all able to take care of themselves. There should be in each of our Immigrant Homes a day nursery, a kindergarten, a training school for domestic service, and night schools in addition to the mothers' meetings, sewing schools, and religious services now projected, or in operation. We ought to put it into our daily prayers that some of the Lord's stewards will lift the debt on our Boston Home and set this noble enterprise free for its tremendously needed work.

The Philadelphia Immigrant Girls' Home

employs Mrs. Mayhew as matron, and Miss Boswell, deaconess and missionary, is superintendent. They are most earnest and self-sacrificing in their work, and their meetings result in much good. Many souls are helped to a new life in Christ. Miss Boswell writes: "The Italian Mission rooms are quite near the Home. Here a day school is held. Much needed daily baths are given to the children. They come from wretched homes in courts and alleys. By the help of our Heavenly Father, Philadelphia Conference is doing what she can for these strangers within our gates."

The New York Italian Mission

is less than twenty-two months old, but its success has been unusual and glorious. In a small, inconvenient flat, alone among Roman Catholics, Miss Ruddy has had God's blessing abundantly on her work. Sixty of the little Italians were sent out into Central New York for two weeks to enjoy sweet country air and comfort. When the *Helping Hand* was closed for the summer, some ladies helped Miss Ruddy give the poor women a delightful surprise in the way of a tea with abundant fruit and flowers. Many of the children and 25 or 30 of the adults give evidence of saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. At one time 25 adults went with Miss Ruddy to the Lord's Supper. During Miss Ruddy's absence changes were made in the building we occupy, and we must move for sanitary reasons.

We want to establish our

ITALIAN GIRLS' HOME AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING SCHOOL

at the earliest possible hour. There are from 75,000 to 100,000 Italians in New York, and no people are more needy. We are praying God to put it into somebody's heart to give us generous help in this work. The only house that we have been able so far to find, suitable for our use in size and location, can be bought for less than $10,000. Our friends stand ready to help us in furniture. No one can estimate the good that this small amount of money would do for these poor Italians. We might send from our Home many missionaries to beautiful Italy.

During the year Miss Ruddy has enrolled in Sunday School	100
Sewing school	40
Children's meeting	50
Helping Hand	21
Sunday afternoon service	55
Week-night prayer meeting	80
Bibles and Testaments given	14
" " " sold	5
Tracts distributed	1,200
Children placed in institutions	40
Missionary calls	300
" from women	520

STATISTICS OF IMMIGRANTS' HOMES.

	New York.	Boston.	Philadelp'a.	Total.
Number landed	443,558	54,791	28,257	526,606
" tracts	6,000	800	2,000	8,800
" lodgings	2,260	692	608	3,560
" meals	9,435	7,160	1,325	17,920
Receipts from above paid	$637.65	$347.00	. . . . .	. . . . .
Girls sent to employment	168	98	48	314
Persons helped to destination	426	250	12	688
Religious services	. . . . .	225	173	. . . . .
Missionary calls	. . . . .	250	205	. . . . .
Bibles and Testaments	. . . . .	25	55	. . . . .

It will be seen at a glance that the table is incomplete on account of the difference of Superintendents' reports. What figures can set forth the comfort given by the 18,000 meals, or the sweet, safe rest of the steerage-cramped, wave-weary 3,500 lodgers that have been sheltered under our roofs? The Christ of the poor has brought souls to himself in our Homes. He bends lovingly, not only over those who minister to our strangers, but over all who do anything to make the way clear to his Haven of Love.

JENNIE FOWLER WILLING, *Secretary.*

Bureau for Deaconess Work.

The Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau has had various experiences connected with the work of the Bureau since one year ago. Shortly after the close of the Annual Meeting of 1890, at the request of the Executive Board a trip was taken westward, not alone as Secretary of the Bureau, but also as Field Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

At Denver a flourishing Home Missionary Society was found, in connection with the Colorado Conference. It is held in great esteem by the preachers of the Conference, for many of their members would be unable to attend the Conference Annual Session were it not that this Society provides the clothes that makes such attendance possible. Five days of work was given to Denver. Meetings were held in behalf of the Deaconess cause, and large interest was aroused. Later, Mrs. Meyer, of Chicago, went to Denver, and upon the foundations so laid started a Deaconess Home with the aid of Deaconesses from the Chicago Home.

Salt Lake City was the second place visited. Our Mission work there was well studied. Without making invidious comparisons it is just to say that our faithful missionary, Miss Dunn, is doing heroic service. Utah is rapidly becoming Americanized. Nowhere is there greater need of work for God and the Church. We are there doing real missionary service.

A royal welcome from Bishop and Mrs. Fowler was given at San Francisco. Mrs. Fowler had well prepared the way, and to her wise arrangement is due the great interest that was developed in a three weeks' stay. Parlor meetings were held, and services conducted in all the prominent churches of San Francisco and vicinity. Over $1,500 was subscribed toward the opening of a Home. Mrs. Jennie Eberman, of Pennsylvania, was selected as superintendent. She was welcomed for awhile at the Deaconess Homes in Philadelphia and Washington, where she obtained experience for her duties. She is at present in San Francisco meeting success in her service.

A visit to Southern California brought a delightful acquaintance with the officers of a flourishing Home Missionary Society that has twenty-five auxilia-

ries. The Southern California Conference is to enter into closer relations with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the interests of the work will, in the future, be more identified. I bespeak for the poorly paid, ofttimes suffering preachers of the California Conference a more liberal support and greater sympathy from the well-to-do people of our Church in the East.

On returning home, our mission work at Albuquerque was visited. There are many hopeful features connected with it, especially in the day schools that are reaching the Spanish children. Every place visited deepened the impression of the great needs of the mission fields of America.

The last personal missionary work of the Secretary was given to Brooklyn in April. Addresses were made in the principal churches of the city, and parlor meetings were held, at which a subscription of over $300 was obtained. A co-operation of effort with the Conference Board of Nine of the New York East Conference was entered upon, relative to the undertaking of Deaconess work in Brooklyn.

In June the Secretary of the Bureau left for a summer's tour in Europe, and during her absence Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers kindly acted as Secretary of the Bureau. Special thanks are due her for her untiring labors. The Secretary desires also to give due recognition to Mrs. J. W. Bashford, the faithful and able editor of the Deaconess Supplement, which has appeared every other month since the last Annual Meeting. The Society is under special obligations for wise and effective service rendered by these two ladies.

There are now connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Homes at Detroit, Buffalo, Syracuse, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Washington and San Francisco. Reports from these Homes were given at Washington by the Superintendents and in some cases by representatives of the Boards of Management. The Superintendent of the Detroit Home was not able to be present and the Secretary of the Bureau read the statistical account given in the Superintendent's annual report. A similar report was also given respecting the San Francisco Home.

Buffalo.

The Buffalo Home was represented by Miss L. A. Smith, Superintendent, and Mrs. A. C. Minard, the Secretary of the Board of Management. Mrs. Minard reported as follows:

"The Board of Trustees of the Buffalo Deaconess Home report to the Woman's Home Missionary Society a reasonable advance of the work and interest in the Home. The Methodist Episcopal Union of Buffalo, The King's Daughters, the Epworth League and the Church throughout the Genesee Conference have generously aided in its support. The first Superintendent was Mrs. Florence S. Wilson, who resigned in March. In June, Miss L. A. Smith, the Superintendent of the Home in Washington, came to fill the vacant place. She has proved by her ability and tact of great service. A Training School connected with the Home was opened by Bishop Vincent, October 1st, 1890, and he, together with eight of the city pastors, have given interesting and valuable lectures. During the past year many hours have been spent in preparing the work for the large sewing classes in the Industrial schools, and many have been aided to find employment. During the winter several pastors were aided in evangelistic services by the deaconesses. In October, 1891, the working force at the Home was materially increased by the admission of two trained nurse deaconesses, who had received training at the German Methodist Deaconess Home at Amsterdam, New York." Summary of visits and work done by the deaconesses, as presented by the Superintendent, will be found in the table.

Syracuse.

The Syracuse Home was represented by Mrs. N. W. Bass, Superintendent, and Mrs. C. E. Cherry of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. C. E. Cherry reported as follows:

"Syracuse Deaconess Home was opened one year ago, with a superintendent and one deaconess. The second year began in October, with Mrs. N. W. Bass as Superintendent, and three deaconesses. The courses of medical and Bible instructions that are given in the Home are of the highest order. One-half of the rent of the house occupied is paid by the Methodist Social Union and the other half by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The house is a good two-story building and is well furnished. All supplies for the table have been furnished monthly by the churches of the city and of the Conference, and pledges have been secured to this end for seven months of the coming year." Mrs. N. W. Bass gave a report for the month of September, which may be considered as typical of the work accomplished. Besides the Superintendent there are two deaconesses who are active. There has been no matron or domestic in the house since its organization. During the month of September 188 visits were made; 72 hours spent in caring for the sick and 12 baskets of fruit and 30 boxes of provisions furnished the sick and aged. Nine children were obtained for Sunday School and over 40 garments distributed, to clothe children for Sunday School. The Deaconess work was presented by the Superintendent three times at district meetings and once upon the Sabbath. Seventy-five letters were written by the Superintendent in the interests of the Home. The course of study in Syracuse has been carried on by means of recitations more than by lectures, and the ministers of the city have proved effective instructors.

Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Home was represented by Mrs. R. W. P. Goff of the Board of Trustees, and Mrs. E. V. Price, Superintendent of the Home. Mrs. Price in her report said:

"There is scarcely a day that does not bring fresh proof that ignorance of the nature of Deaconess work, with the consequent indifference or opposition to it, is fast giving place to interest and hearty approval. At the beginning of the past year a large majority of the visitors at the Home were those who might be called special friends. Now they are representatives of Bands and Circles, and others who want to learn more about the work; pastors who want the co-operation of deaconesses in their work; and the very many needing help who usually preface their request by saying 'They told us to come to the Deaconess Home.' Although the number in our Home has increased from three to six during the year, the demand for workers is still far in advance of the supply. The best part of the Deaconess work can never be estimated. Figures cannot show the erring reclaimed, the sorrowing comforted, the despairing that have had an uplift, the souls wavering in the balance that would have gone down but for the timely word. Eternity alone can tell how much the soothing touch and tender sympathy, and above all the matchless comfort of the Gospel of Peace has been worth to those dying in loneliness and neglect." Besides the work given in the tabular report, the deaconesses have taught weekly 279 children in Industrial schools, and 20 daily at the Italian Mission. They have also met 43 incoming steamers with immigrants.

Pittsburg.

Mrs. Doctor Wilson, Secretary of the Deaconess Board, reported that the work at Pittsburg originated in a district meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, held at the Butler Street Church, March, 1890. Soon after, Miss Bancroft was invited to come to the city and present the cause. Later, a Board of Trustees was elected and accepted by the Conference Board of Nine and the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. Later, an able and valued Superintendent and truly consecrated Christian woman, Mrs. Van Vradenburg, was secured. A course of study was arranged, and different ministers aided in instruction. So far, in a way that we cannot understand, money has come in to meet all the needs of our Home. Our motto is "My God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Mrs.

Van Vradenburg, Superintendent of the Home, reported of the practical work accomplished, as follows:

"Our rooms have been beautifully furnished by different Churches, Bands of Young People, and Circles of King's Daughters, as well as by individuals. We have a body of Trustees from among the best of our ministers and members, and the comfort of the inmates of our Home is looked after carefully. The Home was formally opened May 21st, 1891, and presented by the Rev. Dr. Locke, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, to Dr. Miles, Chairman of the Conference Board of Nine, for dedication. Rev. Dr. Smith, editor of the *Pittsburg Christian Advocate*, gave the address, and other leading ministers participated in the services." The report of work done since that time up to September 1st, (a period of four months only,) with an average of three workers, is given in the accompanying table. Many things might be mentioned of which we make no stated report, as the giving of flowers, fruit, food and delicacies to the sick. There have been children placed in good homes; many provided with employment, and services held at the Workhouse. Underneath this surface report lie many little nameless deeds."

Washington.

The local Home at Washington, that was later merged into the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home, was represented by Mrs. Dr. Street, of the Board of Management. The Deaconess work in Washington originated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. At a meeting held by Miss Bancroft in May, 1890, a consecrated Christian woman offered the rent of a house for a year. Missionary Societies of different churches and individuals furnished rooms, and a Board of Management was formed comprising some of the most influential of the pastors and members of the Church. In October, 1890, the Home was opened. Faithful service was rendered by the deaconesses, (generally three or four in number, including the Superintendent,) in Industrial teaching for colored people, in visiting the sick, in hospital work and revival services. At the opening of the Memorial Home, the deaconesses became inmates of the larger Home. The greatest advance yet made in connection with our work has occurred during the present year. The Memorial Institution in honor of our late beloved President, Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes, that was projected two years ago, has now taken practical form. As reported one year ago, the generous donation of Mr. Ephraim Nash, of Washington, of a valuable property, including a house of over twenty rooms, finely located in the central part of the city, made this possible. The building has been put in complete order and was formally dedicated as a Training School and Home for Deaconesses and Missionaries, in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, during the meeting of the Ecumenical Conference held at Washington in October. It is scarcely possible to over-rate the great service that this Institution will render to our work. It is two-fold in character, comprising the Missionary Training School as well as a Deaconess Home. Rev. Dr. I. N. Dalby, of Genesee Conference, has been tendered and accepted the position of President of the Missionary Training School and Superintendent of the Deaconess Home. Dr. Dalby comes to us with the cordial approval of several of our Bishops, having already made a record that promises for us great results from his valuable services.

San Francisco.

Report by Mrs. Jennie Eberman, Superintendent:

"Since the Home opened, just five months since, six of us have made 8367 house to house calls, and 126 calls on the sick, and have spent several days in nursing the sick. We hold three cottage prayer-meetings and are planning for more. We have had the blessing of six conversions. Cards, papers and tracts to the number of 1913 have been distributed, as also 20 Bibles and Testaments. We teach from 40 to 60 Sunday School children, visit hospitals and jails, and have done some work in Industrial schools. Destitute families have

also been aided. One of our number is a bright Japanese girl, who, I think, is destined to be a missionary to her people. We do our own housework. As yet we have had no aid from the ministers in lectures, but we have lessons each day, save Saturday and Sunday. I believe God has sent me to this place as I am anxious to obey his voice."

Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Laura C. Aldrich, of Muskegon, Michigan, a member of the Michigan Conference Board of Nine, reported the interest that is awakened in Michigan Conference and the plan of establishing a Home at Grand Rapids. To this Mrs. Aldrich offers to devote her energy and means, and is awakening great interest within the bounds of that Conference for this good work.

Brooklyn.

For over a year there has been much interest in Deaconess work in the New York East Conference. Dr. W. W. Clark, Chairman of the Conference Board of Nine, together with other members of that Board, have had repeated conferences with the officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and in connection with them work is projected.

Baltimore.

The Deaconess Board of Nine of the Baltimore Conference was among the first to request the co-operation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. A. H. Eaton, the Secretary of the Board, was present at the meeting at Washington, and delivered a most forcible and eloquent address in behalf of the cause.

The Superintendents' Annual Report.

ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Detroit.	Buffalo.	Philadelphia.	Pittsburg.
Number of Calls made	8574	7584	3914	1819
" Opportunities for Prayer and Bible reading	1795	1170	. .	774
" Tracts distributed	5202	5565	8837	337
" Sunday School Scholars taught	8807	. .	. .	253
" Industrial School Scholars taught	8758	156	. .	364
" Meetings held and attended	338	316	. .	280
" Months spent in training by nurses	26	. .	. .	. .
" Days and parts of days spent in district nursing	32	. .	40	. .
" Studies completed	8	. .	. .	. .
" Families helped	255	. .	. .	. .
" Meetings addressed on Deaconess Work	15	. .	. .	11
" Baskets of provisions distributed	. .	54	67	. .
" Garments distributed	. .	712	910	91
" Sick cared for	. .	. .	568	613
" Hours in Hospital, Penitentiary, and with sick	. .	951	. .	235

In addition to the places reported, there are other cities standing ready to welcome us if we only had workers to enter the fields that are white unto the harvest. At Indianapolis, November 4th, 1889, was passed with trembling and a courage based only on trust in God, the resolution that has become historic, declaring the willingness of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to undertake Deaconess work in places desiring its aid. What has God wrought for us in these two years?

JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

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Baltimore Conference.

The past year has been the most successful year of work in our history. We have been especially interested in the Deaconess work and rejoice in the location of the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School in Washington. We have now six deaconesses and several workers in the Training School; their labors are crowned and blessed by God. Rev. Dr. Dalby, the Superintendent, though he has been with us but a short time, has won the confidence of the school. He is giving special attention to the Training School, and is planning effective service for our workers in connection with the churches. We are about opening a Deaconess Home in Baltimore, where great interest is manifested.

Many boxes of supplies have been sent during the year to the frontier, and letters full of touching gratitude have been received from the recipients. Money and supplies were sent to Kansas sufferers last winter.

We are also working for the "Jesse Lee Home" in Alaska, and Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson has awakened great enthusiasm in our auxiliaries.

There is yet much "land to possess," and we look with faith into the future and expect God to give it to us "for an inheritance."

CLARA L. ROACH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

California Conference.

We are now two years old, having just celebrated our second anniversary. We commenced the new year with six auxiliaries. We now have twelve, with one Mission Circle. Most of these have done grand work, and while much of our work here is different from that done in the societies East, yet it is in response to the same needs. Our work so far has been largely in the way of helping feeble, struggling churches, and sending supplies to our ministers and their families who are sent to "Our Hard Places." We have, however, sent a large amount of supplies to our Mission at Alaska, several hundred dollars to the Mission at Ukiah. Have given over four hundred dollars to the Deaconess Home in San Francisco. Two of our auxiliaries have given largely for Home Missionary work in their own Church. We also help in the Chinese Mission.

We have had one meeting of the Conference Board since our annual meeting and are trying to effect a more complete organization. We have appointed a President and Corresponding Secretary for each District, and hope in a short time to have auxiliaries in many of our churches which now have none. We were much encouraged and helped at our annual meeting by the presence of Bishop Mallalieu and Dr. J. O. Peck, each of whom gave us a talk. These, with some good papers from our ladies, made our minister and friends feel as never before the needs and importance of Home Mission work. We have started on another year, with Mrs. Bishop Fowler for our President, and hope for great results.

H. M. BUCHANAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Central Illinois Conference.

As we close the second year's record of our Conference Home Mission work, it is with a consciousness that much more could have been done with an efficient Secretary in the field. Already we feel that this cause has many warm friends and has come to stay. Three of our auxiliaries did nobly for the frontier work.

One reports supplies to the amount of $600. Some have remembered the Deaconess work. The Utah work has been aided by the Carthage Circle.

Our plan was to send Mrs. Griffith to address the camp meetings, but she only gave us her help at one. Judging from her statement that more than $70 were pledged or collected at Watseka for Home Missions, she must have made an eloquent appeal.

Trusting for the divine leading and blessing, we enter the work of another year.

MISS LIBBIE A. SMITH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Central Missouri Conference.

We have four Districts in this Conference, but we find our people are not awake to the interest of the Home Missionary Society. Some few of our preachers seem to be behind on this line. The people of the Kansas City District are beginning to take an active interest in the work.

We hope to be able in the near future to report an auxiliary in each charge. A few of the sisters are willing to aid in the work, and our first duty is to get the importance of the work rightly before all our members. Lexington and Sweet Springs have made a special effort in the direction of organizing auxiliaries.

We are anxious to have the work established in this Conference.

MRS. B. M. TAYLOR, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Central New York Conference.

The interest in the work of Home Missions in Central New York Conference is steadily growing. We have an increase over last year of 244 members, including Circles and Juvenile Societies. One new auxiliary has been organized, and also Elmira District, which held its first meeting in Elmira Church, July 7th. We have nine Reading Circles, with a membership of 109. An increase over last year of 43 members.

Ten meetings of the Conference Board have been held during the year, with large attendance and much interest. An all-day Thank-offering service was held in the First Church at Syracuse, April 24th, realizing about $12.00 for our Deaconess Home. Supplies have been sent to various points and many of the auxiliaries, circles and bands are actively engaged in our different fields of work.

A growing interest is noticed in our Mothers' Jewels Home. One Band has nearly completed the raising of $100 for a room in this Home. Contributions of work and money have been sent to "Spencer Home" at Utah, "Castle Garden," "Pawnee Mission," "Lucy Hayes Memorial Home," "Alaska," "Peck Home" at New Orleans, and the Bohemian work at Chicago.

Our Deaconess Home at Syracuse has been nicely furnished, and our deaconesses well provided for. The "Golden Rule Mission Band" of the First Church, Syracuse, has started a fruit and flower mission in connection with the Deaconess Home. Fruit and flowers have been sent in from various societies in the Conference and distributed every Saturday among the sick and suffering ones of the city. These little acts of kindness have carried sunshine

into many a sad home. This fruit and flower mission was engaged in tentatively, but its success has far exceeded our expectations.

A zealous, working spirit pervades every department of our organization, and we are looking and planning for material advances this coming year "all along the line."

MRS. W. A. BROWNELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Central Ohio Conference.

The work of the Society has been growing in strength and favor with pastors and people. As rapidly as people understand our work they come into sympathy with it.

We have not organized rapidly but we have raised a much larger amount of money than in any previous year. Our special interest has centered in Ritter and King Homes, but we have not neglected any branch of our work.

We have been trying to develop a special interest in mite-boxes, and have just published a mite-box leaflet, which we hope will bring us many gifts of a-penny-a-day and a nickel a week. We find that if we can place 100 mite-boxes in each of our six districts with a pledge of a-penny-a-day, we should get from this source alone more than $2000. We hope to become the *Banner* Mite-Box Conference. We purpose to have public mite-box openings, with appropriate ceremonies, about September 1st of each year.

DELIA L. WILLIAMS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

"'Tis greatly wise to talk with our past hours,
And ask them what report they bore to heaven,"

sung the poet. So we call up the vanished hours of the closing year and ask them what report they bore of our Society. For answer they bring us evidence of better work, of larger numbers, and of a broader influence than ever before. Seven new auxiliaries and three young people's societies have been added to our rolls, giving promise of excellent work in the future. Three beneficiaries are being cared for, one by the Mulberry Street Circle in King Home, Marshall, Tex.; another, the little captive white girl rescued from Indians last spring, by the Circle of Huntingdon, in Mothers' Jewels Home; while the mite boxes "gathering, gleaning here and there" bring in the annual stipend which continues to ensure our little "Conference ward" a place in the same blessed retreat.

Grace Church, Harrisburg, and New Cumberland, have contributed towards the furnishing of the industrial room at King Home, and Chambersburg, Mulberry Street and Grace Church, Williamsport, Sunbury, Berwick, Tyrone's Busy Bees, Bellefonte, Hazleton and Huntingdon, have each been generous with overflowing "barrels" of good things for the needy ministers of the frontier. Many Mothers' Jewels cards, some to endow beds and name windows, are out among our people, returns from which are slowly coming in.

The anniversary during the Conference session in March, addressed by Mrs. M. E. Griffith, was the best in our history, a large number of ministers and visitors from the various churches being present. The first convention for Harrisburg District was held at Chambersburg, in May, with gratifying results, and a service conducted by our Conference Treasurer, at Mountain Grove Camp, in August, was an encouraging success. Much of the increase which has so cheered our hearts was the outcome of a two weeks' itinerary in May, by our general organizer, Mrs. Griffith, who did for us excellent work, but not a little has also been due to the persistent, watchful care of our Conference officers.

Our annual meeting, held at Lewisburg, Oct. 6th and 7th, was a profitable season, and the organization at its close, of Williamsport District, under

the leadership of Miss C. J. Hoag, was the crowning event of the year. So we stand looking towards the sunrise; and watching the glow of hope along the horizon of the future our souls exclaim, "The morning cometh."

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Cincinnati Conference.

During the year we have been both aggressive and progressive, in that we have entered new fields of labor and have gone steadily forward, endeavoring to reach our ideal of a complete organization—a Woman's Home Missionary Society in every pastoral charge. "Onward and upward" has been our motto, hence I can report more new auxiliaries, increased membership in old ones, more money for Special Fund, supplies for the frontier generously given, and more interest taken in Local Work, all, as I believe, the result of a deepening spirituality in the workers. Conventions have been held in each organized district, which has given new impulse to the work. Under this inspiration the ladies of the Cincinnati District decided to hold four meetings the coming year, two parlor and two public ones. The annual meeting of the Conference Society was held in Springfield, Ohio. The Master met the laborers, blessed them abundantly, and baptized them anew for their work. Meetings were held on the camp grounds within our borders, Epworth Heights and Urbana, with encouraging results. Also a very profitable meeting was held during the session of the Annual Conference.

The past year marked an epoch in the history of the Society, noted among other things for the location of Glenn Industrial Home, in Cincinnati. The Home is the special work of the Conference Society. In reviewing the past, I feel we have much cause for thankfulness. The Lord has helped us, and trusting him for the future we joyfully enter upon the work of another year, expecting to accomplish great things in his name.

S. B. MORRIS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Colorado Conference.

Interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Colorado does not lag. Since ours is a mission Cenference, much of the work we do is truly home work. No one not familiar with this field can understand why we expend so large a proportion of our resources in our own State. Many of the ministers in our mountain and prairie towns are men of education whose wives are women of refinement. They are spending their lives in toil and sacrifice, sowing good seed in places where Satan's agents are very active. Many of them could not stay in these places were it not for the aid of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We learn of the needs of these ministers through the Presiding Elders, and so endeavor to do our work to the best advantage. We shall send out several Christmas boxes to homes where even constant labor and self-denial will fail to provide Christmas joys for the little ones of the household.

The chief work of the auxiliaries in Colorado must of necessity be in this line for many years to come. The societies of Denver are supporting a little girl at the Mothers' Jewels Home in York. We found her in the city, living wherever a hard working, broken-down mother deserted by her husband could find a place for her, by paying a little for her keeping. The child was really living on the streets learning evil ways very fast when found, and it became our privilege to place her in the Home at York.

The former secretary of the Conference, Mrs. J. H. Merritt, has been obliged to give up her work because of failing health. Nearly every society in Colorado owes its existence to Mrs. Merritt's labors. Her name is spoken with reverence by every minister in the State. Her last days are filled with pain, but a crown with jewels awaits her.

MRS. W. F. MCDOWELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Columbia River Conference.

Although we can not report rapid advance of interest in the cause of Home Missions within the bounds of the Columbia River Conference during the past year, we are glad to say that it has held steadily on its way, and to-day is regarded as one of the most promising agencies of the Church for good. The Society occupies a warm place in the hearts of most if not all of the ministers, and we are always made welcome as a representative of this organization wherever we go to present this work.

As a result of the year's work, four new auxiliaries have been organized and two life members secured. Our *special work* has been to raise funds for the support of a young girl in the Jesse Lee Memorial Home at Unalaska, Alaska. But while this has received special attention the General Fund has not been neglected.

MRS. D. G. STRONG, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Detroit Conference.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has been extended some during the year. Detroit, Bay City, Flint, Saginaw and Lake Superior Districts report new organizations.

The Deaconess work is very encouraging and great good has been accomplished during the year. One says: "We find open doors all around us, more than we can enter." The Frontier work in Michigan has been one of our special lines of work. The field is unlimited. Not more than four or five States have a larger number of foreign born than Michigan. The immigration to northern Michigan is of all conditions and nationalities, and the Home Missionary problem in our State is a grave one. Our devoted and faithful home missionaries are doing all they can and we are called upon to aid them by our prayers and money. There are more than one hundred of them in our Conference that we are trying to aid. Eighty-five of them receive less than $600, including house rent; fifty-nine less than $500, including house rent. Our Conference was deficient last year in ministerial support over $4,000.

We have seven Districts, all of which receive and need missionary appropriations. One of these, Lake Superior District, includes two-fifths of the entire area of the State. This District is rich in resources yet it is undeveloped. It has 47 charges, of which 22 are mission charges. Large Indian reservations and missions come within the bounds of our Conference, where there is great need for Christian work.

One Presiding Elder writes he must have $1,200 more in supplies to keep his men in the field. The supply department has sent to the mission pastors on the Michigan frontier goods valued at about $2,200. The loan library has 447 volumes, read by 42 ministers. The amount of money contributed the past year to frontier work is $2,242.58. We feel that an impetus will be given our work this year as the result of "Missionary Day." The pastors are requested to present the subject of both Home and Foreign Missionary work upon a given day in their pulpits to enlighten the people. This day to be uniform all over the Conference. We trust that we may bring you some of the results of this seed sowing at the next Annual Meeting.

MRS. J. E. BEAL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

East Maine Conference.

At the last Annnal Meeting, on being appointed Corresponding Secretary for the interim until a Conference organization could be affected, I hastened to prepare a letter for each of the two hundred clergymen of this Conference, and to supply each with a copy of the last Annual Report. A letter was sent to each auxiliary, and cheering replies returned. Mrs. W. W. Marsh, of Bangor, Ma-

tron of the Home for Aged Women, with all her pressure of work, consented to serve as Conference Treasurer, and has sent drafts to Mrs. Clark this year. The seed sown "fell on good ground," with such royal workers, and at the Annual Conference in April a full corps of officers was elected for the East Maine Conference. Thankful for the privilege of making two journeys to this picturesque "Pine Tree" State, for the Master's sake, and with only loving memories of the kind women in the two Maine Conferences, the lowly endeavor is laid at his feet. MRS. COL. SPRINGER, *Corresponding Secretary pro tem.*

East Ohio Conference.

Encouraging progress has been made in the East Ohio Conference this year, but the desire of our hearts is still far from being realized—a society in every church, and every Methodist woman interested. We have some difficulty in securing correct reports from the societies. More money and supplies are sent than we are credited with, because they are not always reported through the proper channels.

Apart from bequests, $200 more money was raised this year than ever before. Eighteen new societies have been organized; seven in Steubenville District, two in Cleveland, four in Cambridge, one in Barnesville, and four in Canton. Our great want is more consecrated women willing to serve as officers, and to give time, thought and labor to the cause. In Cleveland, the "Local Union" associated with our Society employs two lady missionaries, who are doing Christian work among the Bohemians and other foreigners of the city. We hope to increase the number of missionaries, and to secure the voluntary and unpaid service of many more Christian women. We close the year with thankfulness, realizing more than ever the grand possibilities open to this Society. MRS. M. C. HICKMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

East Tennessee Conference.

The first public anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the East Tennessee Conference was held Oct. 17th, 1891, at Morristown, Tenn. During the session of our Annual Conference, our Conference Society was organized, and each minister showed more interest and enthusiasm in our work than ever before. The ladies elected for officers were well recommended by their pastors. The presence of Mrs. L. E. Prentiss, of the Holston Conference, and Mrs. McCoudras, of Knoxville, added much to the delight of all, and proved a great inspiration to the meeting. Dr. A. E. P. Albert, editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, was also with us, and gave a most excellent address. The amount of four dollars was received as a Conference offering. This may seem very small to many of you, but seemed marvelous in our eyes, knowing the circumstances in the case.

The East Tennessee Conference, with a few exceptions, is mission ground. There is not much wealth among the people, but here and yonder we find earnest hearts, sacrificing all they can to push this enterprise. All that we hoped to have done in special work could not be accomplished, owing to unavoidable difficulties. Two barrels of clothing were sent us from the supply department, from which several ministers and their families received packages, which they deemed a great help to them.

Our Freedmen's Aid School, at Morristown, has a large representation of pupils from several different States. Here a good opportunity is afforded our girls to become learned, not only in books, but also in household duties. Miss C. Snyder has a large class of girls in sewing and in dressmaking.

As a missionary, Miss Snyder is carrying the gospel to the homes. One of our estimable young ladies has kindly consented to aid me in organizing auxiliaries next spring. So with renewed faith we set out for another year's work.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Erie Conference.

We represent to-day the oldest member of this great body of Conference organizations. The tenth year of our history closes with a good record. Interest, intelligence and consecrated zeal are manifestly increasing. That our statistical and financial reports do not give a better showing is largely due to the fact that our auxiliary officers do not all fully understand how to report. Two of our districts were left without a secretary in the middle of the year, and this interfered with their reports; but on this line also we are gaining. Each of our six districts is organized with earnest and efficient officers. The several district meetings held during the year were marked by larger attendance and an increasing desire to know the most effectual methods of work; and as we obtain a more perfect knowledge of the grand plans of this Society, we are developing into generous and cheerful givers.

Some new societies have been organized, and many old ones strengthened. Some of our boys have been gathered into Bands, and they are doing noble work. Our list of Jewels is increased, and we have not fallen off in subscriptions for *Woman's Home Missions*. At our Conference anniversary arrangements were made for an "organizer's fund," virtually expunging from our By-Laws No. 19, page 216, Ninth Annual Report.

Some of our Presiding Elders invite us cordially to their districts, and our pastors are largely in sympathy.

We enter hopefully upon our eleventh year, and, bearing aloft our banner, "For the love of Christ and in his name," we go forward.

ANNIE M. CUMMINGS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Genesee Conference.

The Home Missionary Society has never done better work in Genesee Conference than during the past year. We have fifty-seven live organizations, twelve having been added during the year; and 622 subscribers to our paper, this being an increase of nearly one hundred over last year. We have 49 life members, an increase of five during the year. At the beginning of this year we invited Mrs. M. E. Griffith to spend a month in our Conference. She came to us the first Sunday in February and worked faithfully during the entire month, greatly advancing the interest of the Society wherever she addressed the people.

At our first executive board meeting for the year it was decided to hold a Missionary Institute for one week, with daily sessions of an hour each, at Silver Lake Assembly during the summer of '91. This proved to be a most interesting and profitable meeting. The work was planned early last spring, and topics assigned to six women, one for each day of the week. They came to the Institute thoroughly prepared with excellent papers or talks on different departments of the work. The meetings were largely attended, and increased in interest during the entire week. Our Silver Lake anniversary was held during the Institute week when Mrs. Griffith made two fine addresses. Our seed sowing at Silver Lake has already brought forth fruit, as two societies have been formed, the direct result of that work.

Our Deaconess Home in Buffalo is now fully established, and doing good work. The outlook has never been more encouraging than at the present time. In addition to the parish Deaconess work, the nursing department is to be an important feature for the coming year. We already have trained nurses who are doing efficient service.

The amount of supplies sent out is in excess of that of any preceding year, owing to the efficient work of our Conference Supply Secretary. There have been four district meetings held during the year. The reports of auxiliaries read at these meetings were full of encouragement and showed increasing interest in the work.

We have been greatly afflicted in the death of one of our efficient workers,

Mrs. J. E. White, of Genesee, who passed from labor to reward early last spring. She was President of Genesee District, and a noble Christian woman. It was decided at our Conference anniversary to raise one hundred dollars to name a room in honor of her memory in the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home, and about forty dollars were pledged by representatives from different auxiliaries at that time. MRS. E. B. GREEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Holston Conference.

The outlook for the work is encouraging. As a result of hard work and many miles of travel we have four auxiliaries, one Circle and one Band, with about one hundred and seventeen members, and forty-three subscribers to the *Home Missions.*

This year the Ritter Home has been completed, which is in our midst, and the people are becoming very much interested in its success. The local work in our cities has taken a large part of our thought, time and money.

We hope through our Conference organization to do better work this coming year. NANNIE M. PRENTISS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Illinois Conference.

The ten new organizations of the year have proven exceptionally prosperous, entering upon their duties with an interest which makes success and usefulness a certainty. A large majority of the older auxiliaries are thoroughly in sympathy with every plan for increasing the influence of the Society throughout the Conference. The words of the Corresponding Secretary of the First Church Auxiliary, Decatur, will apply to many. She says: "Our members are good to attend the meetings, good to pay their dues, and good to do anything they are asked to do;" and we shall be encouraged to ask largely. The First Church Auxiliary, Bloomington, still holds its place as the banner society of the Conference. The Lincoln Auxiliary is about to establish a Reading Circle and Loan Library. The work among the children and young people is steadily and permanently growing.

The address of Dr. McFarland, pastor of Grace Church, Jacksonville, at our Conference anniversary, was an able presentation of the need for systematic Christian effort. Our annual meeting at Champaign, Oct. 22d and 23d, was the very best one yet held by the Society. More delegates and visitors were present than ever before and fuller discussions of plans for the future were made. The address of Rev. Chas. Crane, pastor of First Church, Danville, upon "The Mud Gods," the first evening elicited the highest commendation. The second evening Rev. T. M. House, pastor of the church in which the convention was held, delighted the audience with a short address, and the Corresponding Secretary presented the interests and needs of the general work. Three successful district meetings have been held. About ninety Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial books have been sold. The amount of money pledged to special funds at the last Annual Meeting has been realized, but has not been distributed as promised because such application of the money was not quite understood by some of the auxiliaries. We believe that this has been guarded for the future, so that in the gifts the *pledges* will be honored first. By reference to the report of the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Bureau of Supplies, our standing in those departments will be seen, although I am confident much has been sent in supplies which has not been reported to the Secretary of the Bureau. The list of subscribers to our valuable paper is constantly increasing, but our ideal has not been realized, and will not be until the number of subscribers equals the number of members and each auxiliary *is* a Reading Circle and owns a Loan Library. To this end we hopefully work and pray.

MRS. B. S. POTTER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Indiana Conference.

But little advance has been made in this Conference during the past year. There are no auxiliaries outside of the Indianapolis District, owing to the fact that we have no State organizer. Within that District are now six auxiliaries, some of them very earnest and enthusiastic. Two district meetings have been held. Twenty-five dollars have been raised by one auxiliary to name a bed in the Immigrants' Home in New York. This auxiliary also assisted the widow and two small children of their deceased pastor, besides assisting the poor of their church, and raising $30 toward establishing a Deaconess Home and Hospital. One auxiliary has a membership of 37, a Reading Circle numbering 93, and 30 subscribers to *Home Missions*. $28.78 have been given to the Lucy Webb Hayes Fund. There are two juvenile Bands.

Much local work has been done, and those who have been earnest and faithful enter upon the coming year with renewed energy. Within the bounds of this Conference, there are many noble women who are not only willing but anxious to have a place among the workers of the Society. They only need help to a better understanding of the methods of work and of organization.

MRS. D. W. CLARKE, *Corresponding Secretary*.

Iowa Conference.

Though the workers fall the work goes on. During the night of July 23d, when all around was silent in slumber, the white winged messenger entered the home of our Conference President, Mrs. I. O. Kemble, and in a moment she was not, for God had taken her.

The fourth annual meeting of our Conference Society was held Sept. 3d, in Muscatine, during the session of the Iowa Conference. Mrs. Peasley, of Muscatine, spoke words of tenderness and esteem in memory of our much loved Sister Kemble, so suddenly removed from labor to reward, after which Mrs. B. S. Potter, of Bloomington, Ills., portrayed the great need for home missions and gave a description of the work that is being done by our Society. The Treasurer's report showed an increase over any former year. The Corresponding Secretary reported six new auxiliaries, and a growing interest in the cause. Mrs. D. Murphy was chosen President, and the full board of officers was elected The outlook is encouraging. Let us pray for one another.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, *Corresponding Secretary*.

Kansas Conference.

The work of the past year for our Society has been more successful than that of any previous year, and we have more fully realized its need. At the Annual Conference in Washington, Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, of Nebraska, ably presented the cause. Our annual convention was held in April, at First Church, Topeka, and was a pleasant and profitable meeting. Mrs. S. A. Brown, our Conference President, presented a very interesting and enthusiastic report of the meeting at Buffalo.

In our work for the frontier all our auxiliaries have done well, but Atchison, Wetmore and First Church, Topeka, deserve special mention. Many of our churches responded to this work where we have no auxiliaries. We have added but two auxiliaries during the year, still we are encouraged to press on "for the love of Christ, and his name."

MRS. HILA B. MCBRIDE, *Corresponding Secretary*.

Little Rock Conference.

We are glad to say that in this Conference the work is hopeful. We have failed to send a large amount of money to the General Treasurer, but many of the auxiliaries have accomplished great good by aiding churches, parsonages, the sick and needy. The Secretary represented the work at the Annual Con-

ference held at Texarkana, and visited the Forest City District Association in July. The Presiding Elder, W. R. R. Duncan, and the Secretary spent two hours trying to urge the importance of the Home Missionary work. We have never seen more interest manifested for any cause. We organized an auxiliary and by its aid the pastor, Rev. W. H. Higgins, has erected a new church. Mrs. Springer spent a few days in Little Rock last spring in the interest of the work. She organized an auxiliary at each of the white Methodist Churches, added new names to the Auxiliary at Wesley Chapel, and secured several subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*. Her lectures awakened a new inspiration, and deeper interest has been manifested in the work. She called a meeting of the Young People's Circle at Philander Smith College, and made a very encouraging talk, urging the importance of this grand work. Quite a number of new names were added to the Circle, but we do not count them members until their dues are paid.

We have distributed more than $250 worth of supplies to ministers and their families, and also quite a large amount of constitutions, reports and literature of the Society; have collected $1.50 on life membership, given by the auxiliary at Van Buren, Ark., and written over 100 letters. Without constant agitation and personal visits the work cannot be kept alive. We are not discouraged. The mist is slowly but steadily passing away, the "light" is dawning and we will not be contented until each charge has an auxiliary. The work is great. Vice, superstition and ignorance are at our own door. The Adeline Smith Home is in a prosperous condition. The increased number in the Home and the attendance in the sewing department the past year show that the importance of Home Mission Work is being felt more and more throughout the Conference. This year girls from various parts of the country have filled the Home, and the outlook is encouraging. We hope for better results during this year in all departments of the work.

MRS. L. J. JOHNSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Maine Conference.

I should be glad to report an increase of auxiliaries and of membership in the Home Missionary Society of this Conference, but the numbers coming to me at this time are much smaller than those reported by Mrs. Springer after her visit one year ago. We have tried to get full returns but possibly some auxiliaries have not reported. The Treasurer informs me that the receipts have not fallen behind those of last year. There is a prospect of two or three organizations in the near future.

A meeting was conducted, by the District Secretary, at E. Poland camp ground, last August, which awakened enquiry and interest. We are planning a convention for the Lewiston District next summer. Large and attentive audiences listened to the eloquent addresses of Mrs. Griffith at Conference, and of Mrs. Dwight at Old Orchard. We hope that many hearts were touched with a new love for Home Missions.

The new society at Biddeford has raised eighty dollars this year. Twenty dollars have been used in local work and nearly forty dollars for "Mothers' Jewels Home." The mite box fund was devoted to the "East Boston Home." Four other places are credited with local work. A Portland church has recently sent twenty-five dollars to a "Home" in the South. Supplies have been sent to the South and to the West as in other years. We are expecting a small legacy from the estate of Mrs. Bowers, late of Monmouth. The work of the year has not been in vain. The sisters in our Maine Conference who have devoted a part of their activities to helping along this noble cause have been blessed, even as God always blesses unselfish Christian effort. If some cause must be neglected by our loyal women because of lack of time, money or strength, it should not be our Home Missionary Society, which Methodist women must alone sustain. May our prayer be for grace and strength to do our duty.

MRS. E. O. THAYER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Michigan Conference.

The work of the year has been attended with some blessed results and with some disappointments.

We have never felt the need for our Society more than during the past months. For twenty-one years there has not been such destitution in the north of Michigan as this last year, nor has there been such a call for supplies. This destitution has come from the successive droughts, and from the forest fires which have swept over so much of northern Michigan. The outlook is not very encouraging, with the long, cold winter of the North in view. Much of our work in the Michigan Conference, for the coming year, must be to lighten the burdens and brighten the way for our northern missionaries.

At our Conference anniversary, Mrs. R. S. Rust did us excellent service in putting the Deaconess work so clearly before the people, and Miss Gaddis, of Detroit Deaconess Home, awakened an interest by relating many touching incidents connected with her work. The following resolution was passed unanimously: *Resolved*, that the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Michigan Conference tenders its organization to the Conference Board to carry on the Deaconess work, soon to be established in the city of Grand Rapids, under the direction of the Conference Board, subject to the limitations of the Discipline." This resolution was also presented at the next session of the Conference and referred to a committee of seven ministers. By request, Mrs. L. Master and myself met with the committee, and after some explanations the following resolution was adopted: *Whereas*, we have heard with pleasure of the desire to build the Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School for the Michigan Conference, as also the offer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to carry forward the same, under the direction of the Conference Board, therefore, *Resolved*, That we cordially endorse the project and the resolution, and heartily recommend the election of a "Conference Board of Nine." This resolution was passed unanimously by the Conference and the Board was appointed.

On the 22d of October a quorum of the Board was called together, to look over various sites for the Home. A beautiful location was selected and a subcommittee of three from the Board were appointed to negotiate for the lot, and also with building contractors. We know, "Except the *Lord build* the *house*, they labor in vain who build it," yet by his blessing upon us we hope for the speedy erection of the Home. Since the latter part of February I have spoken in the interest of our Home Society twenty-six times; have organized three auxiliaries, four mission circles and one Mothers' Jewels Band, aggregating to the Society an added membership of 173; and have taken seventy-two subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*. The amount of money and supplies raised during the year will be found in the general statistical tables and in the report of the Treasurer.

MRS. W. J. ALDRICH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Minnesota Conference.

Some of our auxiliaries have failed to report this year, and hence are no longer numbered among us. Others have developed a systematic, business-like record that augurs well for their permanency. We are able to report more lines of work prosecuted and a deeper interest in all the needs of our organization than ever before. The supply work has always received attention from our Conference, and this year has not been neglected. A large number of packages have been sent to gladden the hearts of our own needy brethren on the hard fields. Especial contributions have been made for the colored work, the Indian work, the Mormons, and for Alaska. The Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial has received some attention, and quite a large number of Mothers' Jewels have

been gathered. Many of our auxiliaries have, with the consent of the Conference Board, appointed local committees to visit as city missionaries.

There are many charges in this Conference where strong auxiliaries might be organized if we only could send some competent woman to represent the Society. There is great ignorance and some prejudice concerning the scope and necessity of our work among some of our strongest churches.

We held our annual meeting at Simpson Church, Minneapolis, September 16th, but owing to the excessive heat it was not so largely attended as the one of last year. Our Conference anniversary was held at Red Wing, October 2d, at which time we were favored by excellent addresses from Rev. F. O. Holman and Rev. G. W. DeBolt. Thus amid some discouragements we labor on, trusting that our work will tell for the future in increased interest and contributions.

MRS. S. B. WARNER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Missouri Conference.

It is with great rejoicing that I report progress in the work in this Conference. Mrs. B. S. Potter responded to our Macedonian cry and in October organized seven auxiliaries which promise much good work. At Laclede the devoted pastor and wife, late from the fields of active Home Missionary work in Nebraska, organized the ladies of their church into a strong auxiliary.

These with our bright Juvenile and Jewel Band at Maryville have moved steadily on in the good work, piecing quilts, making scrap books and filling booklets for the Mothers' Jewels Home, and also buying a window in the Jesse Lee Home. I trust some good work for our Christ will be done this year to advance his kingdom and glory.

MRS. E. S. JANES, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Nebraska Conference.

This year we have an increase of twenty-two organizations aside from Mothers' Jewels Bands. These, with our former number, enabled us to stand forty-nine societies strong, to face the active service that awaited us. Willing hearts were tested. The drought of the preceding season equaled our fears. Hundreds of fathers with wives and little ones saw their hard earned property swept from them, and crouched before the gaunt form of starvation. As the cries of these helpless ones from our own and neighboring States fell on our ears, the Woman's Home Missionary Society stood true to her trust; and none but those within our own borders know of the lives that were actually saved by the efforts put forth. Owing to peculiar circumstances the reports could not always be given officially through our Bureau of Supplies. But he who notes the cup of cold water given in his name has placed a goodly record in "his Book of Remembrance."

The work of our adoption has by no means been neglected in the press of other duties, and we look on our thirty-nine little ones in the "Mothers' Jewels Home" and their excellent work, both in the school room and on the farm, with just pride.

We had our hearts opened toward Alaska this year, and some of her children have been clothed from Nebraska's wardrobe. It is our intention this coming year to strengthen the work rather than to widen our borders. From this may not result such a numerical increase, but we want our foundations deep that our building may endure.

MRS. J. R. WOODCOCK, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Newark Conference.

In the Newark Conference we are able to report some progress. Seven new organizations have been effected during the year. There has been an increase in subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*. Also thirty-five are reading the books of our regular course. A Reading Circle of twenty-five was organized during the summer at Plainfield. At our annual meeting last fall in Calvery Church, East Orange, Mrs. N. C. Alger greatly stirred all present as she presented the work laid upon the women of our Church. Mrs. F. T. Gaddis was also present and gave us a very interesting talk on the work among the Indians.

Our Conference anniversary was held at the seat of the Conference, Washington, N. J. The day was stormy and only a small number was present, but sufficient enthusiasm was aroused in a few earnest women to secure what had long been desired, an organization of an auxiliary in Washington. Much credit is due to Mrs. Alger, whose services we were again permitted to secure. Immediately following Conference, Mrs. Alger spent a week with us, speaking in various churches, which resulted in the organization of a new Society at St. Paul's Church, Newark. Other societies organized during the year are Madison, Grace Church, Paterson; Union Church, Newark; Park Church, Elizabeth; and St. Luke's Church, Juvenile Band of boys, Newark.

Our Conference Board has held regular monthly meetings except during the summer months. While many of our Conference officers are new in the work this year, those who felt they must step aside from the active duties have not lost their interest, and have met regularly with us to aid us by their counsel. We have held district meetings on three of the four districts. On the other one will be held our next annual meeting. Our special work has been among the Navajoe Indians, and sending barrels to the frontier and to our southern schools. We are glad to report that one of our consecrated women of Montclair, N. J., has been placed in charge of the New York Deaconess Home, and one of our young ladies, Miss Pierson, of Westfield, N. J., has entered that Home.

Our Society is gaining a warm place in the hearts of our pastors, and we hope that in the near future an auxiliary will be established in every charge within the bounds of the Newark Conference.

MRS. CHAS. B. MITCHELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New England Conference.

The interest in Home Missions has not decreased the past year in the New England Conference. Interesting and profitable district and quarterly meetings have been held. At our camp meeting anniversaries our Southern work, City Mission work, and Immigrants' Home, East Boston, were presented. At our Conference anniversary, Mrs. M. E. Griffith held the close attention of the large audience as she told of the great need for missionary work in our own land, and related some thrilling experiences among the Indians. She spent two weeks in May among the churches, giving nineteen addresses. One auxiliary was organized, and 89 new members were added to our Society.

During the year two new auxiliaries, one Circle, and two Bands have been organized. The work at the Immigrants' Home has been constantly increasing, and the whole of the building is greatly needed. The mortgage of $8,000 is pressing hard upon us, still we have been generous to other fields of labor. Marshall, Tex., Holly Springs, Thayer Home, Haven Home, Boylan Home, Morristown, Asheville, Alaska, Nooksachk, Mothers' Jewels Home, and Memorial Fund have all received contributions, amounting to $985.94.

The supply department is one of our best agents for arousing missionary zeal. Our agent reports over $4,000 in supplies sent out this year. Through

the Religious Periodical Bureau there have been 584 of our church papers sent to the West and South, making a grand total of 1,677 since the Bureau was organized.

Our tenth annual meeting was held in Trinity Church, Springfield, October 15th and 16th. We were favored with interesting addresses by Mrs. J. F. Willing and Mrs. N. C. Alger. Mrs. V. A. Cooper gave a historical sketch of the work of the Conference Society since its organization. The reports from our various departments were full of interest. While all has not been accomplished during the year that we desired, there has been an advance along most of the lines. We trust the coming year will be the best in the history of our Conference. A. E. DWIGHT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New England Southern Conference.

The last year has been one of trial, but also of increased strength. What looked like a year of failure in the beginning has proved to be a year of successes and prosperity, beyond our expectations. The pledges we made at the annual meeting at Buffalo have all been redeemed, and in some cases exceeded, some new auxiliaries organized, the older ones increased, and we have more than two hundred new members enrolled. I wish we could say we have as many subscribers to the *Woman's Home Missions* as members.

The Browning Home, Camden, which has been considered the special work of our Conference, has been transferred from our supervision to that of the General Executive Board. This gives general satisfaction. An attempt is being made to support a French Mission Work in Pawtucket, R. I., and we hope to report many souls saved in that Mission. It is the first attempt made by our Conference to support a local work. Many of our people say if we would do some work *at home* instead of sending all the money raised to some far-a-way place they would be more willing to help. That such help is needed is shown by the fact that within the bounds of our own Conference there are more than 50,000 French Catholics, besides a large number of Irish and Portuguese, with a sprinkling of all other nationalities, and we are endeavoring to devote some of our efforts and money to this mass of foreigners in our own midst.

This does not mean that *all* our efforts and money will go into our own local work. If it did we should not have asked for a special field of supplies (Chadron District, Neb.), nor would our own annual meeting have vested its delegates with authority to exercise their own judgment in pledging our Conference to any work that they deemed best.

Our advance in supplies last year is gratifying, and when we think of the hearts gladdened, and bodies made comfortable, we wish we could have done a thousandfold more. One of the noteworthy things about our supply work was that as soon as the *worst needs* were met the people whom we helped bravely and frankly wrote me, "with what you have done for us, we think we will pull through now." With the spirit of harmony now prevailing in our midst and the blessing of God upon our efforts, we hope to report far better results in another year. MRS. D. L. BROWN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New Hampshire Conference.

The reports of the Conference Society show an advance over the record of last year. A second edition of the Conference paper "The Home Missionary," giving an outline of the meeting of the Board of Managers at Buffalo, was printed in November. These papers were sent to all the churches.

During the past year many barrels of supplies have been forwarded to the self-sacrificing ministers on the "frontier" in New Hampshire, as well as in the West. Money has also been collected for work among the French Catholics.

Mrs. M. E. Griffith presented the cause of Home Missions in an effective manner at the Conference anniversary held at Newport. At the camp grounds we had the privilege of listening to our own Hattie Emerson, who was generously aided with funds for the Emerson Memorial Home. At the annual meeting in Lawrence we also had a good report from another of our missionaries, Mrs. A. A. Gordon, of Camden Home. The Mothers' Jewels Home has been popular among the children, over $40 being raised on one camp ground for this object. ADA T. WELLS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New Jersey Conference.

Our growth this year has been small, yet it has been in the most promising direction, namely, that of the young people and children. We have formed our districts into Associations, according to the Constitution, and we gratefully record that one of them, Bridgeton, is active and vigorous. They have held three quarterly meetings, which were full of interest and largely attended. We believe that we have the machinery for more efficient work than ever before. Our societies are eager to help in the supply department, and it is more difficult to get the cases needing help than to get the help.

Mrs. Willing, Mrs. Griffith, Miss Van Marter, Miss Burton, deaconess, and Mrs. Goff have made addresses in our public meetings this year. Our local work takes the form of assistance given to the needy ministers in our own Conference bounds. Books, clothing and money have been gladly contributed, and we have felt the blessedness of giving. We are full of courage and ever hoping for the time when every charge in our Conference will be interested in our Society. MRS. C. F. GARRISON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New York Conference.

Eight new auxiliaries, two Bands and one Circle have been added to the New York Conference Society during the past year. All-day meetings have been held on three out of the four districts in the Conference, which have awakened a good degree of interest. Mrs. Griffith gave us much needed and most acceptable help in October, with excellent results.

The mission opened a year ago last January in "Little Italy," under the care of Miss Ruddy, has prospered greatly.

A Home for the training of Italian girls is to be opened with the new year, for which we bespeak both prayer and material help.

The work at the Immigrant Girls' Home goes on with undiminished interest and success. Our faithful missionary, Mrs. Matthews, has been compelled by ill-health to resign, but a worthy successor has been found in Mrs. Smith. A glance at the eloquent figures in the report of the Bureau for Immigrants cannot fail to awaken gratitude to God that this noble work was ever established.

The Supply Department, under the efficient management of Mrs. J. P. Burrell, has done blessed and far-reaching service. Supplies to the value of about $5,000 have been sent out during the year.

While our Conference Society has not accomplished all that we had hoped, yet we have cause for grateful thanksgiving in a harmonious, hard working Conference Board, a growing interest in our work, and an increasingly hopeful outlook for the future.

MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

New York East Conference.

On September 29th of this year our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. H. Carhart, resigned her work. Mrs. Carhart, who has served for several years in this capacity, has faithfully corresponded with our ministers and societies; but as yet our Conference is not largely organized, though interest has been awakened in the churches, and many have sent good collections to our Treasurer.

The Conference anniversary was a spirited meeting. Mrs. M. E. Griffith made an effective address, and an auxiliary was the result of the enthusiastic meeting, but it lived only a few moments. The pastor thought the ladies had made haste too quickly, the church being burdened with debt, and so died our auxiliary the moment it was born.

At our annual meeting in April, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson presented the deaconess work in a delightful manner. She spoke in a number of churches, and held parlor meetings. Our people were greatly interested and some money was subscribed to start a home, but no definite action was taken until the regular meeting of the Conference Board in September.

In the spring, our local work for the benefit of the working girls of Brooklyn took a different form. We hired a fine brown stone house; our auxiliaries, circles and King's Daughters furnished the different rooms, not only comfortably but handsomely, and it was named "Working Girls' Home of the Methodist Episcopal Church." The girls were invited to make this their home, paying $2.50 or $3.00 a week for board, but a few only have availed themselves of this opportunity. The classes are well sustained, however, and the most encouraging feature is that the devotional meetings are most enjoyed by the girls. We have hired a hall as an annex to the Home, where the juvenile department, formerly little girls' sewing school, meet every Saturday afternoon. This school numbers 150. It is proposed also to introduce the Kindergarten system.

Being now so fully equipped for extended local work, we turned our attention to the deaconess plans which had been maturing for the past year in the minds of our Conference workers. As a final result the Conference Deaconess Board has agreed to co-operate with our Society in establishing a Deaconess Home in connection with our local work, merging the two in one. We wait now for the Board of Control to elect the "Board of Direction" for the Home, and then we are ready to reorganize our "Working Girls' Home" according to the plans for a Deaconess Home. The Home is to be the center of our local work as in the past, but trained deaconesses for visiting and nursing will carry the gospel into many homes; invite the factory girls to the industrial and devotional meetings, and also will look after the children of the sewing school and Kindergarten. They will assist the pastors, thus arousing an interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Our beloved missionary resigned at our last meeting to take the course ot training for deaconesses.

Though greatly interested in home work we have sent money and barrels of supplies to the frontier, to cheer and comfort our ministers' families. One barrel has just been sent to Unalaska, Alaska, to the Jesse Lee Home, valued at about fifty dollars.

The Chinese and Italian work are in the hands of competent committees to look after, and next year more will be heard from these departments. Our Treasurer's report shows that we have spent nearly $2,000 in the Local work. Our coming year promises a large increase in societies, subscriptions to *Home Missions*, and Reading Circles, and a full-fledged Deaconess Home.

MRS. J. Q. MAYNARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

North Nebraska Conference.

It is with great pleasure that I present you this report so much in advance of the two preceding years. Nearly all the auxiliaries have increased their

membership, and have been enabled by renewed effort to help along our "Home" at York. The hope that this Conference might have an organizer was answered by Mrs. M. E. Roberts coming to do grand work. I think there were thirteen new auxiliaries organized. She aroused much enthusiasm, and the work was always well understood and thoroughly organized before she left. Cash and supplies have been sent to sixteen frontier preachers, besides a large amount to help western sufferers. The "brick book" collection has been quite large, the lovely little satin "bags" given to the collectors have inspired the little folks to labor. Seward Street ladies have more than half of their pledge of $100 to name a room; and the "Morning Star Band" have completed their $30. Trinity Band have fulfilled their pledge to furnish a room. Valuable local work has been done by various societies. Neligh Circle are aiding a girl in Utah. Supplies and clothing for the children have been sent to the "Mothers' Jewels Home."

MRS. H. A. CRANE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

North Ohio Conference.

With mingled feelings we bring to this Harvest Home our North Ohio sheaves. Compared with what we would like to show, our yield is small and unsatisfactory. But glancing back over the years we note with pleasure that each year in our history has marked an advance, and while our growth has not been phenomenal, it has been steady and permanent. We find that every mission field and phase of the work has its warm friends and ardent supporters within our boundaries, and thus we are in *touch* with the entire field.

The letters of appreciation and gratitude that come to us for the valuable supplies that have been sent in such unstinted measure give evidence that this department of our work is becoming an incalculable blessing. Interest in our Reading Circle is on the increase, and we are gratified to learn that we are entitled to the national banner for the coming year.

Intelligence concerning the work, and a growing appreciation of its importance and necessity, are constantly opening up the way for its progression, and we see therein an earnest of better things in the near future.

MRS. W. F. KELLER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Northern New York Conference.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is steadily winning its way and gaining a larger place in the hearts of the people of this Conference. Several new auxiliaries have been organized, while others have been strengthened by an increased membership. Valuable aid was rendered by Mrs. M. E. Griffith, who spent a short time within our bounds. Our anniversary was a most interesting occasion. The address delivered by Chancellor C. N. Sims, and observations gleaned during a recent trip through the South, as presented by Dr. C. J. Little, were both helpful and inspiring. Much interest has been manifested in the Mothers' Jewels Home, and the Lucy Hayes Home and Training School. Each of these Homes has received liberal contributions, and in each rooms are to be named. Mrs. Clark, of Oswego, has also given $100 to name a room in Jesse Lee Home, Alaska, in memory of her husband, Jason Clark.

The consummation of our plans in the line of Deaconess work has been delayed by circumstances beyond our control, but we are privileged to place in training a consecrated young woman, a skilled nurse, who feels herself called of God to this most important work. We realize the great need of more widespread and definite information concerning the Deaconess work.

All-day meetings have been held by several of the district organizations, resulting in increased interest for the work of evangelization in our own land. Calls for aid have been promptly responded to, and frequent letters are re-

ceived from our auxiliaries asking for the address of parties needing supplies. The receipts for the year ending in April largely exceeded those of any previous year. HELEN D. FERGUSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

North-west Iowa Conference.

The hand of God has been signally manifest in the leadings of our Society the past year. Advancement has been made in systematizing the work, as well as in raising more money.

Mrs. I. Spurlock gave the anniversary address, inspiring all present by her forceful words. With this exception, we have had no help aside from our own home workers. Rich fruitage has, however, been realized from the faithful sowing of our dear sister Iverson last year.

The presence of the banner has been an inspiration to our Reading Circle. We have now 82 members of Circles. One District Association has been organized this year, leaving but two unorganized districts.

Good results have been realized from the use of mite boxes, where little, if anything, could have been done without them. A specialty has been made of securing renewals and new subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions*, by which our people have become better acquainted with the work of the Society, and correspondingly more liberal in its support.

Our special funds have been $500 for enlarging Spencer Home; help given for the Homes at Nooksachk, Wash., Unalaska, Alaska, Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Neb., support of a beneficiary at Peck Home, and one in Utah, besides something sent to Speedwell Mission, and Detroit Deaconess Home. The value of mission supplies sent this year is nearly double that of last year. Much good work among the neglected poor of Sioux City has been done by the young people of one of our Queen Esther Circles. Although not reported, the record is safe with him who taketh cognizance of all our efforts to serve him and do his will. MRS. J. P. NEGUS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

North-west Kansas Conference.

I have not visited the North-west Kansas Conference for more than a year, but I organized it and have consented to represent it, that I may present a plea for sympathy for our sisters of that part of our country.

From letters read I learn that the drouth of so many past years has brought such poverty upon the people that the magnificent crops of the past year have not yet enabled them to recover their financial standing. Therefore the sisters of our Home Missionary Society there have felt it their duty to give all the money raised to help the worthy poor about them and on the frontiers. They have done what they could in giving out supplies also. Those ladies are loyal to our cause, and will yet come up with an organization doing much effective work. MARY E. GRIFFITH, *General Organizer.*

Ohio Conference.

A review of the past year shows considerable progress in this Conference. There has been a gain of four auxiliaries, two bands, and one circle—the Harriet McCabe Circle, of Broad street, Columbus. The young ladies in this organization promise to do excellent work. No auxiliary has dropped out of the ranks this year. At Oak Grove, near Racine, where the ladies live far apart in the country and can not meet regularly in bad weather, they disbanded without paying their dues, but when they read Miss Richardson's letter from Unalaska, their hearts were touched, and they determined to pack a box of supplies for the Jesse Lee Home. It is hoped they will continue their relation to the Society from the interest they feel in this work.

The Treasurer's report shows a large gain over any previous year. The largest amount paid by any one auxiliary was $284, from Third Avenue, Columbus. The little girls earned $100 of this sum, and named a room in the Mothers' Jewels Home. The Circle in Third Avenue, which last year did so much for Pawhuska, has become an independent auxiliary, and has pledged generous donations to King Home.

The second in rank was Wesley Chapel, Columbus, paying $253. Much the larger part of this was given by the young ladies, who have a very active auxiliary, and who sent as special funds $40 to their beneficiary in Mississippi, $25 to the Haig Mission, and $50 to the Nooksachks, $5 of which was to name a window for Jessie Bane.

Ironton, well organized with auxiliary, circle, and Mothers' Jewels, gave $233, and the little friends of George Norton cherish his memory by giving his name to a room in the Mothers' Jewels Home. The ladies of Bigelow Church, Portsmouth, gave $217, with part of which they named a room and took a beneficiary in the Jesse Lee Home. The auxiliaries in Columbus have aided in the work of city evangelization by paying the salary of a missionary in the Haig Mission. A report of this missionary's work will be found in the Report of the Bureau for Local Work. This Conference sent to the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home $544 this year, and $150 last year, making a total of $694; $131 of this came from the Chillicothe Auxiliary. The managers of the Memorial Home acknowledged the gift by naming one of the lecture rooms for the Ohio Conference.

This Society has many friends who are not enrolled as members, but who give substantial proof of their good will. The most important of these is the Rev. Benjamin Green, of Hebron, who gives $100 each year in memory of his mother. Rev. F. Merrick, of Delaware, gave this year $10 to the Ritter Home. The Superintendent of the Mothers' Jewels Home writes that he would like the donors to see the beautiful six-acre garden, kept in order by the use of the little jewel of a cultivator so kindly donated by the manufacturers, the Brown-Manly Plow Co., of Malta. The gift of a buggy from the Columbus Buggy Co. the Society was obliged to transfer to the missionary of the Parent Board among the Navajoes, our Society having no missionary there at that time. The Rev. Mr. Slutz, of London, gave $10, the surplus of his benevolent collections, and other ministers who have no auxiliary in their charges generously remembered the Woman's Home Missionary Society at Conference. Those ministers who have made addresses and shown other kindnesses the Society counts among its friends. Notable among these is the Rev. P. A. Baker, of Gallipolis, who gave an interesting address at Conference.

District meetings have been held in six districts, all of them interesting and profitable. Thank offerings were held in Athens, Delaware, Third Avenue, Columbus, and Zanesville, and a self-denial offering at Malta.

At the annual meeting at Newark, Mrs. D. T. Ramsey was asked to solicit subscriptions to *Home Missions*, which she did with such effect that it is believed the subscription list will be more than doubled.

It was voted at our annual meeting that all special funds of the coming year be sent to Alaska. Already pledges of $100 each from four auxiliaries have come in, and we hope by the close of this winter to have sent enough money to the Treasurer to make the Jesse Lee Home an assured fact.

ANNA DILL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Oregon Conference.

The fourth annual meeting of the Oregon Conference Society was held at Salem in connection with the Annual Conference, August 22nd. Rev. J. W. Bushong, D. D., delivered the annual address, which will be felt for good during the coming year.

This Society was organized in 1827 by Mrs. Colonel Springer, and consisted of thirty-eight members. During that year she organized a number of auxiliaries. Some of them soon disbanded, and at the close of the Conference year there were but five auxiliaries remaining, four of which have continued faithful to the cause in which they were enlisted. The amount raised in cash and supplies has made many glad hearts in the homes of the laborers in the Lord's vineyard.

At the annual meeting the officers were elected and a plan of work for the year was adopted. Mrs. J. W. Bushong was elected organizer. We are constantly growing in favor with our pastors. We asked them to present the cause of the Siletz Indians to their people and to solicit five cents per member or take a public collection as they deemed most practicable, and the money came in small or large amounts until we were more than able to meet our obligation to the missionary there, which was two hundred dollars; we canceled our responsibility, and appropriated the remainder to the work in Alaska.

While our auxiliaries have done grand work during the past in furnishing supplies for immediate home work, their generous contributions have gone abroad. Taylor street, Portland, furnishes a room in the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska. In Centenary Church, Portland, the children under the efficient management of Mrs. Bushong have sent a *diamond* of comfort to the Mothers' Jewels Home at York. The Albany Auxiliary having one of their number at Cape Palmas, Africa, have kindly remembered her. Salem is still doing for the home work.

We hope for a great increase the coming year in numbers and contributions. MRS. H. P. WEBB, *Corresponaing Secretary.*

Philadelphia Conference.

In the Philadelphia Conference the work of the Home Missionary Society has not contracted during the past year, but expanded almost beyond our capacity to keep up with it. During the preceding year we opened a Deaconess Home and an Immigrants' Home. With this advance we were much better equipped for work. We found the Deaconess Home to be the long needed centre for each branch of the work, and we also found the consecrated deaconesses to be the best working material, who, like their Master, went about doing good.

In October, 1890, two rooms were secured at Eighth and Bainbridge streets, for the Italian mission. Schools were held day and night. All day on Sunday services were held. Four evenings a week were given to the study of English. A sewing school was held on Saturday. Later, a room with bath was secured, and a Kindergarten department was afterwards added. At our annual meeting a class of bright Italian girls sang several of our hymns in their native language.

Our Immigrant work has been carried on by the deaconesses, Miss Margaret Boswell and Miss Hart in charge, conducting sewing schools at the Home for poor children of the neighborhood; meeting the steamers upon their arrival at the wharf; furnishing hundreds of free and paid meals and lodgings; finding employment for many stranger girls and women. The management of the Home under the matron, Mrs. Mayhew, has been wisely conducted.

The Deaconess Home has been our crowning joy. We have now a family of eight persons. We have four deaconesses taking the course of study; three associate deaconesses. We have not been able to meet the calls for visiting and nurse deaconesses. These earnest workers have been called upon to make public addresses, visit from house to house, nurse the sick, and minister to the poor, suffering, and dying. In November, a day was set apart for "donations," which was very successful. Groceries of all kinds, fruits, vegetables and money were given.

Our auxiliaries have done nobly in contributions to all causes. While the Deaconess work has been our special work we have contributed to the Mothers' Jewels Home, the Lucy Hayes Memorial, the Beneficiary Fund, the Indian and Spanish work. The cause of Home Missions was presented and interesting meetings were held at Simpson Grove camp meeting and at Landisville camp. A representation attended the anniversary at Ocean Grove. The two days allotted to it were full of interest, and it was pronounced by all a great success.

We have a Committee on Indians, who have in charge the work of supplying the school for the Pawnee Indians, and of caring for these Indians generally. The supply department has been well sustained, and is an important branch of our work. C. H. BICKLEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Pittsburg Conference.

The year which has just closed has been by far the most prosperous in the history of the Society in the Pittsburg Conference. The amount sent to the General Fund has been almost double that of last year, thereby showing that the number of members of auxiliaries must have been doubled. The amount given to Special Funds has been very much more than doubled, while in the department of supplies the increase has been beyond our utmost expectations. Five new auxiliaries have been formed, and one which has existed independently for several years has united with the Conference Society, making an increase of one hundred and eight adult members, besides quite a number of juveniles. There has also been a wonderful increase of interest, contributions, and membership in the auxiliaries already existing, at least two hundred additional members having been gathered into them. The Deaconess work has assumed visible form in the shape of a good house, nicely furnished by the liberality of the various churches in and near our city, leaving no indebtedness on our Society. In this Home we have now a Superintendent and several visiting deaconesses, and we are looking to its future with glad hopes for the poor and depraved of our city.

In our Coke work this year we have employed two workers instead of one, as hitherto, and the Presiding Elder of one of our districts employed another. Contributions to Alaska, the Indian Fund, and Mothers' Jewels Home, have also largely increased this year.

Looking forward over the whitening fields, we are encouraged to appeal to the women of our Conference to help us "take America for God," for the promise which God made to his servant of old seems fulfilled to the Home Missionary Society, "For now the Lord hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land." MRS. M. J. SCHOYER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Puget Sound Conference.

We have had a Conference organization for two years, but so far have not done much work. We had a good anniversary at our Conference this fall and a board of officers was chosen who will take up the work in earnest. A report of what had been done during the year was given by the Secretary, and an address was delivered by one of the ministers in behalf of the Home Missionary Society. We hope to accomplish a good deal the coming year.

MRS. W. H. MAHAFFIE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Rock River Conference.

If we were to repeat our last year's report it would answer in the main for this. Our work is simply development in the lines already taken up. Along all these lines there has been growth in sentiment, finance and numbers. A few new auxiliaries have been formed. Our public summer meetings were unusually interesting and successful.

The general sentiment among the people in regard to the city work is widening and deepening, and many helpers have been raised up to share the burden of the labor at the mission. The Industrial School, that now numbers about 200, is managed and sustained largely by Evanston. Several ladies go down as teachers every Saturday. Students from the Training School have also aided in this work. Mrs. Allison is competent and indefatigable, and we consider this department of our work well sustained. It cannot be enlarged until we have better accommodations. Many agencies for reaching and bettering the condition of the people we are unable to employ for lack of space, and thus we fail to reach numbers who might come under our influence and be benefited both temporally and spiritually.

Two students from Moody's Training School are holding evangelistic services, and visiting from house to house among the people. A young man, student of the Northwestern University, gives his Sundays working in the Sunday-School and Young People's meetings. For all these helps and indications of good, we thank God and take courage, "Hitherto he has been our Helper."

As in the natural world there is "first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear," so we confidently anticipate the results of our moral harvest, and have learned to labor and to wait.

E. E. MARCY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Saint Louis Conference.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Saint Louis Conference has, in the face of great difficulty, steadily advanced. As its mission and methods become known to preachers and people, the interest among all classes is intensified. During the year many families have been helped into comparative comfort, and parsonages that were places of want have been turned into scenes of rejoicing by the efforts of this Society; and the organization seems destined soon to occupy its proper place among the enterprises of the Church.

We now have in this Conference twenty-five auxiliaries, six hundred and sixty-four members, four hundred and twenty-four subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*. Much of this has been accomplished through the well directed efforts of Mrs. Col. Springer. MRS. WM. JONES, *Corresponding Secretary.*

South-east Indiana Conference.

The ninth year of our Society has been marked by a decided spiritual advancement, an increase of two auxiliaries, with fifty-eight members, and two juvenile societies, with forty-eight members. The work has moved along smoothly with a small numerical gain and larger financial gain. So far as I can learn all the pledges made at the Annual Meeting have been met; Connersville, Central Avenue, Hall Place, Roberts Park, North Indianapolis, Shelbyville, Vevay, First Church, Greensburg, and Franklin Auxiliaries, Shelbyville and Irvington Juvenile Societies responding cheerfully to meet these. A large number of leaflets and Annual Reports have been distributed, and ten copies of the Memorial Book sold. Only one district is well organized, but a deeper interest is being manifested in the others. Two of them are proposing to hold district meetings. When we can secure these regularly, the work will increase in interest and results. Indianapolis District held a very pleasant and helpful meeting. Mrs. E. L. Albright and Mrs. J. E. Gilbert were present, and by their counsel many of the members had a better understanding of the methods and aims of our work.

Roberts Park supports an Industrial School, aids in supporting a Police matron, has donated an organ, and has recently organized a Juvenile Society of thirty members. Edwin Ray made donations valued at $24; Connersville, $25; Maplewood, $10; Lawrenceburg has done some local work. Vevay sup-

ported a Sabbath School through the summer, but had not sufficient money to carry it through the winter. Connersville reports one Reading Circle.

Three meetings of the Conference Society have been held. The anniversary meeting held at the Annual Conference at Aurora was well attended, and we hope the outcome will be the organization of a strong auxiliary at that point.

A. V. PHILLIPS ADAMS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Southern California Conference.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Southern California Conference numbers seventeen auxiliaries, one Mission Circle, one Juvenile Band, with about 450 members. It is impossible to give the exact membership, owing to incomplete reports from some of the auxiliaries. Four new organizations have been made during the year, and the Society has now gained a foothold in each of the districts of the Conference.

The Conference Society was organized in 1886, for the purpose of aiding pastors doing frontier or missionary work in the Conference. Up to the present year all moneys received have been disbursed here by special permission of the General Executive Board. But this year the Conference Executive Board voted to send one-half of the membership dues to the General Treasury and ask for a mission relation.

A very successful Woman's Home Missionary Convention was held in Los Angeles last spring; and special services were held at the district camp meetings. The interest in our work is deepening throughout the Conference. Some of our auxiliaries have doubled their membership, and we confidently expect to see a number of new organizations during the coming year.

ALICE A. MACKOON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

South-west Kansas Conference.

The Woman's Home Mission work in our Conference this year very much resembles the most of woman's work in her own home. It has demanded, and received, earnest thought, active, continuous effort, much devising of ways and means, and yet, at the end of the year, there is little to show for it all; but like that same house work, it would have been very conspicuous if it had not been done. The most of our churches are still suffering, many of them severely, from the boom which visited our beautiful State three or four years ago, and while our auxiliaries knew they could not receive credit for money used for other than distinctively missionary purposes, they felt that for this year their work must be mainly local; so while quite large sums of money have been raised, it has been spent mostly in assisting home churches or those on our borders, in the Indian and Oklahoma Territories, or on the frontier. Many barrels, containing new suits of clothes for the preachers or for their wives and children, as well as boxes of fruit, jellies, preserves, etc., have been sent. A number of valuable ones were not reported because they were not sent by the Society as a body, but by some enthusiastic member, whose neighbors helped her send to some unusually needy case of which she had heard.

The societies report an increased love for their work, and the most of them at least a small increase in numbers. In the backward look which we give to the year to-day we find we have not done much when compared with what was to be done, or with what we hope to do the coming year, but we have tried to heed the manifest leadings of him whom we claim to serve. And we are cheered by the thought that we are helping to make the people of our own times a little better, a little happier, and that we are having a small share in bringing in the time when every "knee shall bow and every tongue shall proclaim" our blessed Redeemer, Lord of all.

MRS. G. E. RAYMOND, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Texas Conference.

The return of October makes it my duty to report the condition of the auxiliaries in the bounds of this Conference. From two districts the reports are very meagre, owing to want of interest on the part of the officers.

King Home being so nearly completed, aroused the sisters and some of the brethren to try to furnish rooms, and their efforts have been crowned with some measure of success. The Navasota District reports the largest amount raised, the Marshall next, and the ministers follow. Though late, the Trinity Auxiliary would not be left out.

We have kept up our interest in the Mothers' Jewels Home, *Woman's Home Missions*, and have one sister who found purchasers for a dozen copies of the Memoirs of our dear departed leader. District meetings have been held, and an amount of interest shown which leads us to believe the day is not far off when the work of the Society will be taken hold of in earnest.

ISABELLA HOWELLS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Troy Conference.

The outlook for advance work in Troy Conference was never more encouraging than at the present time. Our district and auxiliary officers manifest increasing interest, and the ministers greater sympathy. Several new societies have been organized and old ones strengthened. We have an increase of over two hundred members, and as many "Mothers' Jewels."

Mrs. Griffith was with us at our Conference anniversary and by her eloquent address won many friends to our cause, and gave a new inspiration to the workers; we are anxiously awaiting her return to us for more extended work.

The district meetings have been better attended, and deeper interest is manifested. Miss Clegg, missionary to the Jiccarilla Apaches, rendered us valuable assistance by her addresses at Round Lake camp grounds, as well as at the Plattsburgh District meeting and in several churches. The supply department has been admirably managed by our new Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Mabbett, a larger amount having been sent out to the self-sacrificing ministers of the western frontier than any previous year.

Many new and novel methods have been adopted by the societies to increase the funds, among others the "Talent Fund" has been very successful. The plan being for each member to take twenty-five cents from the treasury and invest it in any way to increase the sum. One lady gathered and sold garden and wild flowers, another made brown bread; others crocheted edging and hassocks, painted articles, made pop corn balls, knit dish cloths, and made many other useful and ornamental articles. As a result, from $1 to $5 was made by each one and a nice sum added to the treasury.

Our Conference has added another to the list of missionaries, Miss Plimette K. Bristol, who is one of the first to enter the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home as nurse deaconess. She held the position of District Secretary for Troy District, and most faithfully discharged every duty. She was President, Secretary and Treasurer of an auxiliary of four members, but with a list of five life members. It is pleasing to know that of the large number of missionaries in the fields, Troy Conference has furnished some of the faithful ones.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Upper Iowa Conference.

There has been excellent work done by the auxiliaries in Upper Iowa Conference the last year. The ladies responded nobly to the call for aid from the sections visited with drouth in Nebraska, Kansas and Dakota. One small society of thirteen members, in Janesville, Cedar Falls District, deserves special

mention. They collected and sent out thirteen boxes of supplies, valued at $345.00. Several other societies excelled in other special lines; all did well.

Some numerical advance has been made. Four new societies have been organized and two re-organized, with an aggregate membership of 160.

The annual convention at Mt. Vernon was a profitable meeting. Mrs. M. E. Griffith addressed the convention both evenings, to the edification of all who heard her. The convention voted to ask that the Osage Mission be named the "Adelaide Springer Osage Mission," in recognition of faithful work done for the Society. Two hundred dollars were pledged to the Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home at Washington, D. C., the room to be named for Mrs. P. C. Stephens, of Manchester, an elect lady who shows her faith by her works.

Mrs. Griffith gave fifteen addresses in the Conference and aided Mrs. Hoskyn, District Secretary, to organize Cedar Falls District. Three of the six districts are now organized. Each held successful annual meetings. Davenport District held an anniversary at the District camp meeting through the efforts of Miss Gertrude Waugh, Secretary. Work is being done along the lines of Mothers' Jewels, Mite Boxes, Reading Circles and Young People's work. Each department is in charge of a secretary. The Dubuque Auxiliary raised $100.00 to aid Taylor Home at Epworth, in Dubuque District. The school is a power for good among the Catholics, who are numerous in the vicinity; one-sixth of the students are of that faith. The Manchester Auxiliary raised the $100.00 pledged by our delegate last year to the King Home. Mt. Vernon and Clinton Auxiliaries are on the Roll of Honor for large contributions to the cause of Home Missions. Our auxiliaries deserve all honor for the promptness with which they responded to the call for contingent fund to defray the necessary expenses of the work. The anniversary held in Davenport during the session of the Annual Conference was largely attended by ladies, who listened with interest to the reports of the Society, and to a soul-stirring address by Rev. R. D. Parsons, of Mason City.

The Treasurer's report causes us to thank God and take courage. With his blessing we hope to move forward along every line the coming year, and do what we can toward bringing about the fulfillment of the petition, "Thy kingdom come."

MRS. MARGARET ALSPAUGH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Vermont Conference.

The variety of work taken up by our members during the past year shows increased interest and intelligence in regard to the needs of the different departments. We have more members in auxiliaries, but less in Circles and Bands than one year ago. (Four Circles have become inactive.) Financially, this has been our best year.

Our Conference Board has held its meetings at Bradford the past year; our officers have been efficient and faithful in their duties. Our pledges for special work have all been paid, and we expect to make advancement every year. Some district meetings have been held and more are soon to follow. The interest manifested at our camp meeting anniversaries was very encouraging. Thanks are due to our presiding elders for favors received. Good collections were taken at all these meetings. At Northfield, the education of a girl in the Jesse Lee Home, Alaska, was assumed, and we expect before spring to raise $100 and name a room in this Home. We trust each one of our local societies will desire to contribute toward this gift. Springfield Circle supports a girl in Boylan Home, and some others are working in special lines.

Our anniversary at Conference was a red letter day for the Society. Mrs. A. E. Dwight, of Melrose, Mass., presented "Carrie Dean's conversion to Missions," a story unique in all its details, which not only delighted the large audience but won many friends to the cause. She was followed by Dr. A. B. Leon-

ard, who gave a thrilling talk on the need for Home Missionary work, and Bishop Mallalieu gave some interesting facts about this work in the Southland. The inspiring hymns, written for the occasion, and distributed throughout the audience, were a personal gift from Rev. A. J. Hough.

We have no organized Local Work in our Conference, but we have our Local committee, who are asked to answer a list of printed questions and report to the Conference Secretary, that we may know how much effort is made to do missionary work among the poor and neglected in our midst. The Department of Supplies has received a liberal patronage, and we regret that we are not able to have their value reported in our Conference minutes. A few have finished the Reading Circle work this year. Intelligence stimulates to action. Three of our Reading Circle members who are far removed from Church and society privileges have become so much interested that they have contributed to special funds more than any auxiliary during the past year. We hope for an increase of such members this year.

MRS. J. O. SHERBURN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

West Nebraska Conference.

I am glad to report continued interest in our Society, and progress made in our work during the past year. Three auxiliaries have been added, and Kearney District organized into a District Association. Children's Bands and Mothers' Jewels Societies have been organized in different places. The latter are doing grand work in raising money for our Jewels' Home at York. The presence of Mrs. B. S. Potter was an inspiration to us at our anniversary. She made the principal address, reviewing our work in all of its departments. A fine photograph of Mrs. Hayes was secured and hung on the wall at our meeting. Four memorial books were sold and an interest awakened in the Memorial Institution at Washington.

The outlook at the beginning of the year was not encouraging to many of our ministers. The crops for the past year had been nearly a total failure. But like a good angel our Woman's Home Missionary Society came to the rescue, and clothing and food were freely given, and distributed among the needy. I should judge that $1,000 worth of supplies were sent in this way to each district. Without this aid many charges would have been abandoned, and the Church work materially hindered. Much gratitude is felt toward the Society that has so generously responded to the many calls made upon it by this Western Conference, and we hope to prove our sincerity by pushing forward the work of organizing auxiliaries during the coming year.

MRS. E. SMITH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

West Texas Conference.

In the past year more interest has been awakened than in former years. We have some faithful workers in Austin, Dallas, Limestone County, and I might say throughout the Conference. The brethren of the West Texas Conference welcome us to their charges, whenever we can go. We had an enthusiastic meeting at our last anniversary, and also at our district meeting. All seem to be filled with the missionary zeal.

We have no missionaries in our Conference. We would be glad to have one, and hope steps may be taken to employ one for us at this Annual Meeting. We have no industrial school, but hope you will see fit to help us to establish one in the West Texas Conference for our girls, for so many of them go astray annually for lack of proper training.

Dear sisters, while you are pleading for the Indians and Mormons, please remember the poor colored girls of the West Texas Conference. One thing we do desire to have is a High School with an industrial department, and we also desire to have a missionary employed for the West Texas Conference Society. We are not at all discouraged, for we have long since learned

"If in God we put our trust,
Conquer all we surely must."

MRS. L. A. WESTBROOK, *Corresponding Secretary.*

West Wisconsin Conference.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society in the West Wisconsin Conference has not enjoyed the rapid growth earnestly hoped for. Still, financially, it is stronger than last year. Over one thousand dollars have been raised and distributed in various ways.

The older auxiliaries have become settled, and understand the work and the demands upon them better. Three new auxiliaries and several children's Bands have been organized during the year. Our hope for the future work in this Conference is in the children. The most of them are anxious to do something, and more especially for the Mothers' Jewels Home. Six life members have been added to our list during the year.

Mrs. Mary E. Griffith made a short visit to our Conference during its session, and gave the anniversary address on the general work of the Society. It was clear, able and impressive. In the evening of the same day she delivered an address on "The Indian Problem" to a large and crowded audience, which she held in the most appreciative attention for one hour and a quarter. Her return to this part of our work would be hailed with delight.

I am hopeful for the work, and devising many good things for the coming year. MRS. M. BENSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Wilmington Conference.

Our Conference Society the past year has not made the progress we so confidently expected at the beginning, and yet the seed sown, often in great weakness, is now springing up with signs of an abundant harvest. Within a short time engagements have been made to organize six auxiliaries, and more general interest has been manifested than at any time since our organization. Only one of our four districts is well organized. We find it difficult to secure officers for the districts who are able to give the time necessary to make the work successful.

The annual meeting and Conference anniversary in March, thank offering day in April, a camp meeting service in August, and a meeting of the Wilmington District in September, comprise the public services held during the year. To Mrs. M. E. Griffith and Dr. Willing, of New York, are we indebted for addresses which were inspiring and full of enthusiasm.

More interest in the Reading Circle is evident each year. In the department of Local Work more has been accomplished than ever before. Committees composed of ladies, often with but little leisure, have found time to visit many sick ones, to feed the hungry and clothe those in need. Annual reports, leaflets and sample copies of *Home Missions* have been sent throughout the Conference. Mite boxes continue to gather small amounts which would not otherwise come into our treasury.

A committee appointed by the Conference Board has under consideration the employment of a missionary for the city of Wilmington. The pledges taken in Buffalo have all been paid. Through the liberality of Mr. J. T. Gause, of Wilmington, who donated one hundred dollars for the purpose, we have been able to name another room in Ritter Home.

As we close the record of the year and look to the one just beginning, we desire to be more diligent, knowing

"Christ never asks such busy labor
As leaves no time for resting at his feet."

MRS. EMMA L. WELDIN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Wyoming Conference.

God has been with us, kindly sparing our workers for another year of service. Doubtless many golden opportunities have been lost, yet, as we have reviewed the work of the year, we find a commendable advance has been made in nearly every line of endeavor. Larger pledges were made last year than ever. The people responded nobly and the last dollar has been paid. Within ten days after our return from the last Annual Meeting at Buffalo, we issued a circular letter, showing what was to be the special work for the year, and calling attention to the need of renewed earnestness and zeal. Words of appreciation came to us, showing that these letters were a great help in awakening interest in our auxiliaries.

Our Conference anniversary occurred at Waverly, April 3d. Mrs. M. E. Griffith gave an eloquent address, which was listened to with great interest by the ministers and people present. A pleasant feature was the courtesy shown Rev. W. L. Thorpe and wife in making them life members of our Society. The wife of the Presiding Elder of the District, Mrs. Wilson Treible, was also made a life member. $25 were given by Mrs. Royal Clinton, of Newark Valley, to endow a bed in the Mothers' Jewels Home, in memory of Pearl Sterling Burroughs. As there was no Home Missionary Society in that church, names were taken and a very promising auxiliary organized.

Camp meeting anniversaries have been seasons of refreshing and cheer. At the Wyoming Assembly, Rev. C. A. Benjamin very eloquently presented our field of work. At Carmel Grove, Rev. James Matthews gave an address full of spiritual power.

A Mothers' Jewels reception was given by the Simpson auxiliary of Scranton, in June, which was an occasion long to be remembered. A large number of mothers and their little jewels were present. The little ones ranging from six months to six years of age. Mrs. Griffith, who was present, told them of the Home in Nebraska. Refreshments were served, and little people and all went home feeling that the meeting had been both pleasant and profitable.

The Wyoming District Association has been organized this year. This is the first district organization in the Conference. The auxiliary of the First Church, Wilkesbarre, has taken much interest in the school at Asheville, N. C., of which Miss F. V. Russell was superintendent, and has sent valuable assistance. An elect lady connected with that church has recently given $500 to the work among the Navajoes.

Mrs. M. E. Griffith came to us for two weeks in June and organized nine new auxiliaries, adding 338 new members to our ranks. Pledges were made for the Mothers' Jewels Home. Quite a sum was pledged for the Navajoe Mission and other places.

Increased interest has been manifested in the department of Local Work. Miss Mary Wallace, the Home Missionary, employed by the Tabernacle Auxiliary of Binghamton, has been very faithful and devoted to her work. Mothers' meetings have also been held during the year, taking the form of an industrial school. The mothers are taught how to care for their homes and how to repair and make garments. These meetings always close with a brief devotional service. The good that has been accomplished in helping the needy and taking the light of the gospel to those who sit in darkness can hardly be estimated.

MRS. O. P. WRIGHT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Reports from Committees.

On Religious Press.

We recommend the following persons to act as correspondents for the religious press: For *Zion's Herald*, Mrs. J. W. Cushing; *Peninsula Methodist*, Mrs. N. M. Browne; *New York Advocate*, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson; *Northwestern Advocate*, Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers; *Central Christian Advocate*, Mrs. H. C. McCabe; *Pittsburg Advocate*, Mrs. C. W. Smith; *California Christian Advocate*, Mrs. Frank Arter; *Michigan Christian Advocate*, Mrs. Chas. Morgan; *Philadelphia Methodist*, Mrs. M. J. Schoyer; *Western Christian Advocate*, Miss Alice M. House; *Buffalo Christian Advocate*, Mrs. D. A. Minard.

MRS. C. B. FISK, *Chairman.*

On Transportation.

Arrangements have been made for the transportation of delegates and visitors to the Tenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, at reduced rates, with the Trunk Line Association, the Western and Central Traffic Associations. The concessions are full fare going and one-third returning, provided a printed certificate be obtained from the ticket agent at starting point, or at the most convenient place near, the certificate to indicate that full fare has been paid. These certificates must be signed in ink; the person's full address written legibly upon the proper space. Under no circumstances will it be permitted to transfer these certificates.

We desire to extend sincere thanks to all who have in anywise assisted us.

MRS. W. M. AMPT, *Chairman Transportation Committee.*

On Work at Large.

Friday, succeeding the close of the Buffalo meeting, I spoke at Painesville, O., at the annual service. Reached Dayton, Nov. 6th, where, Sunday morning, though rainy, in St. Paul's Church, 53 members were secured for a new society; and at Grace Church, in the evening, 21 were added. For the ten days, in Dayton District, 148 new members and 35 subscribers were secured. Attended the District meeting at Troy, and, on the Sabbath, at Piqua, a new auxiliary was formed, at Green St., of 26 members, and of 16 at Grace Church in the evening.

Reached the Rock River Conference Nov. 18th, visiting 13 churches, whereby 144 members and 83 subscribers were obtained, the new auxiliaries at Elgin and Warren being included in this number. The total result to Dec. 6th was 850 new members and 288 new subscribers for our paper.

March 20th, gave the address for the St. Louis Conference Society at Springfield, Mo. Owing to the extreme illness of the Secretary, I prepared an

itinerary, with aid of pastors, and formed 21 auxiliaries of 473 members and 120 subscribers. Six of these societies are in St. Louis. Let it be recorded that Rev. J. Anthony, of Monett, walked five miles to arrange for a Home Missionary meeting in his church, and then went from house to house, urging all to attend.

Organized the first auxiliary in the Arkansas Conference, in Main St. Church, Little Rock, Sunday morning, May 3d, of 34 members and 9 subscribers, and the second in the evening, at Ebenezer Church, of 26 members and 4 subscribers. Later, organized the Arkansas and the Little Rock Conferences. At Wesley Church, secured 10 members and 9 subscribers. Addressed the students of Philander Smith College, when eighteen were added to their auxiliary. For the five days in Arkansas, 88 members and 22 subscribers was the recompense. Total, from March 18th to May 15th, 582 members and 151 subscribers. Only in rare instances could a collection be taken, for which a receipt was always given.

I have sent 316 subscribers, this year, for the paper, making over 1800 since its origin. Since the beginning of the Society, have secured over 5,000 members and traveled nearly 50,000 miles. With profound thanks this addenda is given: Sunday evening, Nov. 1st, in Grace Church, Washington, D. C., forty members formed a new auxiliary, all the officers were elected and sixteen subscribers secured.

MRS. COL. SPRINGER.

Report on Leaflets.

Leaflet account for the year ending October 15, 1891:

EXPENSES.

For Printing:		
" Leaflets,	$120 42	
" Postage,	15 87	
" Expressage,	2 75	
" Blank Book,	15	
Total Expense,		$139 19

RECEIPTS.

From Sale of Leaflets,	$72 39	
" Balance from sale—last year,	31 86	
" Mrs. J. Mather,	10 00	
" General Treasurer,	9 75	
Total Receipts,		$124 00
Deficit,		$ 15 19

Whole number of leaflets distributed,	51,231
Whole number of pages distributed,	195,577
Whole number of pamphlets distributed,	377
Whole number of smaller pamphlets and maps,	407

E. E. MARCY, *Chairman.*

On Organization.

At the request of the General Executive Board and by invitation of Conference officers, I left my home August 18th upon an organizing and Conference visiting tour. From that date until the 13th of September I presented the work before one camp meeting and one Conference—the Iowa—organized one district and five auxiliaries, addressed seventeen adult audiences (six of these were where societies already existed), two meetings of young people and five

children's meetings and Sabbath Schools, secured 80 members, 34 subscribers to *Home Missions* and $42.07 collections. I returned home for my own Conference anniversary the 20th inst.

Oct. 1st found me at the West Nebraska Conference. The devoted Conference Secretary and President are greatly interested in the work, and will give their full time to the work of organization the coming year. My visit to the *Mothers' Jewels Home*, in York, was very delightful. The superintendents are proving that "There is nothing so kingly as kindness" in the management of their family. Saturday evening the "entertainment" planned and executed by the children, with recitations, dialogues, solos and general singing, would have done credit to any gathering of little people. Cheerful obedience is the rule, both on the farm and in the performance of household duties. It is wisdom and a pleasure to enlist the children of Methodism in this benevolence; and soon we hope to see it endowed through this agency with money and land sufficient for its support.

Oct. 7th began my itinerary of eight appointments in the Missouri Conference, in which there was no auxiliary. During the succeeding ten days I presented the work before nine adult audiences, one young people's meeting, two children's meetings, securing 89 members, 17 subscribers to *Home Missions* and $21.56 collections—making to the Society in all, 12 new auxiliaries; adding 169 members, 51 new subscribers to our paper, and $63.63 by collections. Literature and annual reports were left with each new society, as well as our devices to interest the children in the *Mothers' Jewels Home.*

I wish to make grateful mention of the uniform kindness extended by the secretaries, the pastors, and all in the homes to which I was welcomed in my journey of 3,100 miles in the interest of our Society.

MRS. B. S. POTTER, *General Organizer.*

Of Organizer.

I have found no time to record the pages of literature distributed, or miles traveled, or letters written; but I have traversed nineteen States and the District of Columbia. Many more invitations for addresses were received than could be accepted in one year. I represented our cause in fifteen Conference anniversaries and annual meetings, East and West, including Maine and Iowa, and organized the East Maine Conference Society; also addressed a number of district conventions (organizing some district associations.) I addressed the Glen Echo Chautauqua Assembly, and the Thousand Islands Park, Ocean Grove, Willimantic, Brandywine, Martha's Vineyard, and Watseka Encampments, in the interests of Home Missions; also several gatherings of Epworth Leagues and the students of various colleges and seminaries, and found a growing interest in the cause everywhere. Whole number of addresses given, 213; Circles organized, 2, with an increased membership of 62; auxiliaries formed, 43, with an increased membership of 1,574; subscriptions for *Home Missions* for past few weeks, 74 (no record kept previously.) Money *pledged* in my meetings to special work: For Alaska Mission, $24.25; Ponca, $67.75; Navajoes, $65.00; Boston Immigrants' Home, $70.00; New York Italian Work, $171.00; Hayes Memorial Home, $460.00; Mothers' Jewels Home, $4,060.50. Cash collections, $982.46.

MRS. M. E. GRIFFITH, *General Organizer.*

On Mite Boxes.

The whole number of Mite Boxes distributed during the year is 2,053; number of jugs, 3,882. The amount of money gathered in them that has been reported to me is more than $2,034. Twenty-one Conferences have contributed in the following order as to the amounts given, Baltimore heading the list with $418.31: Baltimore, Michigan, Detroit, Central Ohio, North-

west Iowa, Philadelphia, Wilmington, South-east Indiana, California, Central Pennsylvania, Genesee, Cincinnati, Central New York, Ohio, East Ohio, Upper Iowa, New Hampshire, Illinois, Vermont, Maine and Texas. The "Bee Hive" Mite Boxes, authorized by the General Executive Board, were introduced by Cincinnati Conference in June, to be used exclusively in collecting money for Glenn Industrial Home located in Cincinnati, Ohio. The sum of one dollar is required to be placed in each Bee Hive, and if persons receive them and do not use them, they at once must return the same to the Chairman of Mite Box Committee at Cincinnati, O. The ladies hope to have a "Bee Swarming" in the spring time, a public entertainment, at which time those who have had charge of the Bee Hives will be expected to report all amounts collected in them to the Conference Treasurer. One thousand and thirty of these have been already distributed. Those who have had charge of 100 Bee Hives, also those taking ten and distributing them, will be termed Queen Bees, and we hope to see them clothed in royal robes when they bring their treasures to the public reception. To this Bee Swarming we most cordially invite all our friends who are interested in the work of our Busy Bees in Glenn Home. To all our co-laborers I wish to express my sincere gratitude for the help you have rendered in gathering the pennies, and in reporting so systematically and promptly the amounts collected. MRS. W. M. AMPT, *Chairman.*

On Beneficiaries.

1. The Beneficiaries in each Home connected with a Church school shal be selected by a committee, consisting of the Superintendent of the Home and the President of the school. In Homes not so connected the selection and recommendation shall be made by a committee, consisting of the Superintendent of the Home and the Chairman of the Committee on the Home.

2. The names of the pupils thus chosen shall be reported by the Secretary of the Bureau, and upon her recommendation and the approval of the Executive Board these names shall be placed on record as the Beneficiaries of the Society for the ensuing year. The list shall also be furnished to the Treasurer.

3. The appropriations for Beneficiaries in each Industrial Home shall be considered at the Annual Meeting and made according to the apparent needs of each by the General Board of Managers.

4. All funds contributed for Beneficiaries shall be sent as other funds are sent through the Conference Treasurer to the General Treasurer, and in no case shall vouchers be accepted by the Treasurer in the place of money.

5. The General Treasurer shall make remittances to the Superintendents of the Homes for the support of Beneficiaries at such regular intervals as the General Executive Board may determine. MRS. A. R. CLARK, *Chairman.*

Of the Editor of "Woman's Home Missions."

I should like to request that those who send reports of meetings to the paper will confine themselves to matter which will be of general interest. Much that transpires, even in an auxiliary monthly meeting, may be of general interest by suggesting new methods of work or giving information. If each Bureau Secretary will secure from her missionaries items of interest, as incidents, etc., she will be repaid in increased attention to her missions on the part of our readers. We really have no other way to secure intelligence for the different fields, unless we should duplicate the missionaries' correspondence with the Secretaries. The Conference Secretaries can do much to aid the editor by reports and suggestions.

We also think that among the many educated and gifted women of Methodism there should be some who would illustrate ideas important to our work with an interesting story. Such literature is attractive. "Mrs. Pickett's Mite Box," "Lamps versus Pitchers," and similar stories have done good service, and we need more of them—and need them now. Who will prepare them for our paper, and for leaflet use afterwards? We trust the paper will have your continued efforts to render it interesting and useful, and an efficient means of inter-communication between the auxiliaries. Because of the introduction of other papers into our work, this paper will probably suffer in its patronage. We commend all its interests to the affectionate care of our numerous auxiliaries and thoughtful women. H. C. McCabe, *Editor.*

Of the Publisher of "Woman's Home Missions."

After several years of anxiety concerning the paper for fear expenses could not be met, it is not surprising that the report one year ago, which showed a cash balance of $500, met your hearty applause. We are led to believe many thought "our paper is now on a good financial basis, and does not need any further help from me." It certainly looks as though the usual effort had not been made, for we have received nearly $75 less this year on subscriptions than the previous year. Sample copies of the paper and subscription blanks have been sent out in greater numbers than ever before; also letters and postal cards urging delinquent agents to work up the unrenewed lists. After all, the real work to increase the list depends largely on the efforts made by the solicitor in the auxiliary. This officer should be one who takes the paper herself, and appreciates the need of having all the members do the same. Such a canvasser will meet with success. Will you not urge this at your Conference meetings and in your correspondence with your auxiliaries? Once again we lay this important interest before you. This is the organ of our Society. We can not estimate the value of this silent yet active force as it enters the homes in our land each month, becoming in each an educating influence, giving a better idea of the Home Mission work and workers in our different fields. From the beginning the aim has been to have the price as low as possible, that it may be within the reach of every family in the Church. Will not each Conference Secretary present make your plans to add at least one-third more names to the subscription list in your Conference? One-third more means twenty thousand subscribers by the close of another year. Certainly this is possible.

By your direction one year ago, a four-page supplement was added each month to our sixteen-page paper without increase of price. It was expected that the increase of subscriptions would meet the added expense. While the supplement has been highly appreciated, and subscriptions have increased, the *renewals* have not been carefully looked after. The children's supplement was to be introductory to a children's paper. The advisability of starting such a paper will be considered by your Committee on Publication. The Deaconess work should have a department in the regular columns of the paper. To continue the supplement it would be necessary to increase the subscription price. Each subscriber certainly has realized this year that the twenty-five cents was not paying the actual cost.

The receipts and expenditures for the year ending October 15th are shown in the following statements:

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	$ 535 07
From subscriptions	3,608 72
From advertisements	215 72
	$ 4,359 51

EXPENDITURES.

To printing and mailing paper, including supplement . .	$ 3,251 72	
To postage	197 97	
To salaries, editor and publisher	800 00	
To stationery and sundries	65 35	
		$ 4,315 04
Balance on hand		44 47
		$ 4,359 51

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher.*

On "Woman's Home Missions."

Resolved, 1. That the publication of the Supplement be suspended, and the price of the paper remain 25 cts. per annum.

2. That a column in *Woman's Home Missions* be devoted to the presentation of matters pertaining to Deaconess work, the editor to be appointed by the Deaconess Bureau; also, that a page of the paper be devoted to Young People's work under the direction of the Bureau for Young People's Work.

3. That a fund be created to meet the expense of publishing a paper in the interest of the Deaconess work for free distribution, *provided* that the Woman's Home Missionary Society be not held responsible for any expense connected with the paper.

MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Chairman.*

MRS. H. D. FERGUSON, *Secretary.*

On Bequest and Devise.

The Daniels bequest, mentioned in the last Annual Report, has been paid, as also the devise of $1,000 by Sarepta Baker.

The Sadla bequest of $500 left to "The Home Missionary Society of The Methodist Episcopal Church," upon the advice of the Conference Society and of The General Executive Board, has not been collected. It was thought to belong to the Parent Society.

Rev. M. Doyle, of Watkins, N. Y., left a devise of $1,000; but there being some question as to the validity of some other bequests, it was thought best to endeavor to make some equitable settlement, and efforts are being made to that end.

The devise of Charles T. Borden, of Mansfield, Mass., is still in abeyance, owing to a contest of the will, the result of which is at this time unknown.

A small legacy, left by Mrs. M. M. Kauffman, of Ohio, required some legal proceedings to sell property, in order to collect.

A bequest of $200, from Mrs. Jane M. Swisher, of Warren Co., Indiana, and of $199.68 from a lady of Chicopee Falls, Mass., have been paid.

MRS. M. B. HAGANS, *Chairman.*

On Mothers' Jewels Home.

From all directions letters of inquiry are ever coming as to our present advancement, landed estate, buildings, number of children, their average ages, etc. These personal letters have been gladly responded to, and as full information given as has been possible with the multiplicity of interests pressing daily and hourly upon us. For five years previous to April 6th, 1891, Dr. Armstrong was endeavoring to demonstrate the practicability of bringing needy and homeless children into the rural dis-

tricts, where by careful home training they would form habits of economy and industry that would enable them to become factors for good in this great commonwealth. But, his health failing, he asked that the Woman's Home Missionary Society take hold of the enterprise and elaborate his thought. Thus his extremity became God's opportunity to enlist his hand maidens to move forward in this line of Christian endeavor. At the request of the Executive Board, my wife and I took charge of the work on the 6th of April, last. Now, after a lapse of seven months, we find ourselves the father and mother of a household of over forty; sending thirty-three happy, healthy children to the city schools daily. Many of their school reports are of a high grade, and their teachers speak well of their orderly and respectful demeanor. We have our own Home Sunday School. 'Seventeen of our children have been baptized, and nine are members on probation. They are all trying to be good, but bad habits and years of neglect make it a struggle with many.

We are crippled for want of more house room and more land. One hundred and sixty acres of land is only a nucleus of what is needed. For to furnish food and employment for all the little ones to be gathered to the Home from year to year will require much more land. And we hope and expect to be able to secure the desired amount in some way, "for the love of Christ and in his name."

Our Home is on the industrial plan, each child being practically taught the duty and value of a life of industry and patient painstaking. We place great stress upon the *home feature*, and propose that these little ones shall feel at home.

Our crops this season have been good. We will have at least twenty-five hundred bushels of corn, over one hundred bushels of rye, two hundred bushels of oats, six acres of garden, yielding an abundance of all kinds of vegetables, including seventy-five bushels of sweet potatoes, one hundred and fifty bushels of Irish potatoes and five hundred heads of cabbage. We have in store three barrels of krout, one barrel of cucumber pickles, one hundred cans of tomatoes, dried sweet corn, etc.

Thus, by the blessing of God, we are fairly started in this child saving mission. Send us aid, and uphold us by your prayers, and thus unitedly we will polish Jewels for the King's Crown.

MR. AND MRS. B. SPURLOCK, *Superintendents.*

On Publication.

The Committee on Publication does not have in charge the paper or the leaflets. Special Standing Committees are appointed to have the care of those interests and to report them.

The necessary blanks, and other papers required to meet the needs of the Bureau, Conference, and District officers, have been furnished as desired.

In accordance with your action at the last Annual Meeting, a decennial edition of the Annual Report was issued, giving a full exhibit of the entire work of the year, and also a brief review of the first decennial. The edition consisted of 12,000 copies. Of these about 10,500 were distributed in the Society, the call for them being larger than ever before. As there was a surplus on hand at the beginning of the fall months, packages were sent to the seats of the various Annual Conferences to be distributed among the ministers, with the expressed hope that each one receiving a copy would read it and preach one sermon during the coming year on the subject of Home Missions. If this is done, I am sure the benefit to the Society will greatly exceed all expenses incurred.

I need not tell you that the publishing of the Report was delayed. The causes of the delay were beyond my control. You will recall that it was stated

at the last Annual Meeting that if all the papers to be published could be placed in the editor's hands at the close of that meeting, the work could be done in a comparatively short time. But notwithstanding our best efforts, some of the manuscript did not come to hand till in January, hence an early issue was out of the question.

The number of advertisements received for the Report was not as large as had been hoped for. The ladies who pledged themselves conditionally to obtain them, in most cases found it impossible to do so, hence the income from this source was limited, though it was more than sufficient to meet the cost of stationery, postage and expressage incurred in the preparation and distribution of the Report.

Now a word in regard to the Report which is about to be issued. If all the papers which have been presented at this meeting are published *in full*, the size will be increased. The extension of the time of this meeting will give additional length to the minutes or proceedings, and the numerous and full reports will require larger space. Having endeavored, for several years past, without success, to obtain your consent to have the Treasurer's Report published in an abbreviated form, we think it goes without saying that a detailed report will still be desired. By your own action of last year, only the names of the life members constituted during the current year will appear in the list.

The object in publishing the Report is to present a statement, or setting forth, of the work done in the various departments, whether in the general Society, the Bureaus, the Conferences, or the Committees. If in the preparation of your individual reports for this meeting, your enthusiasm or imagination has sometimes carried you into the flowery fields of rhetoric or poetry for illustration or embellishment, *do not feel aggrieved* if, when these papers come into the hands of your matter-of-fact editor, her ruthless scissors snip away all these fanciful adornments. I trust you will all agree with me that the *model report* is one that sets forth the facts of the work accomplished in a clear, definite and concise style. MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Chairman.*

On Deaconess Work and Management of Homes.

PART I (STATEMENT).

We recognize in the godless condition of the needy and degraded masses in the cities of our land the chief menace of our Christian civilization, and we believe that there exists in these cities a wide, most important and most urgent field of work for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Therefore, without neglecting other fields of work, we have sought, as a Society, to co-operate earnestly and heartily with other agencies of the Church in saving the masses in our cities from both physical and spiritual degradation.

With this end in view the Bureau of Local Work was created, only two years after the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, for the express purpose of supervising mission work in cities and towns, to include the support of industrial, mission and temperance schools, the systematic visiting and relief of the poor and the sick, and the employment of missionaries and Bible readers.

When the General Conference of 1888 established an order of Deaconesses and provided for the general control of the order and its work by Annual Conference Boards, the Woman's Home Missionary Society seeing in this method of work a means of increased efficiency, and in the official recognition of women missionaries the promise of increased usefulness for them, at once offered its co-operation in the organization and maintenance of this work, and for the training and support of the Deaconesses.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society disclaims any desire to "absorb all the Deaconess work" of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or to exercise

any supervision of it inconsistent with the general control of the work by the Annual Conference Deaconess Boards.

The Society claims an equal right with other agencies of the Church, with individuals and with independent local boards to organize and maintain Deaconess Homes and Work, subject to the regulations of the Discipline. We believe it may be safely left to the different localities or Conferences to determine under what auspices they will carry on the Deaconess work, the character and control of the work itself being guarded by the Discipline. The Society desires to use, in the prosecution of its city missionary work, that form of service which will secure the best and speediest results.

In pursuance of this thought the Woman's Home Missionary Society has established Deaconess Homes in various cities, and is successfully carrying out its missionary plans in these cities through the agency of Deaconess work.

The fact that all the great evangelistic and benevolent enterprises of the Methodist Episcopal Church are connectional, leads us to believe that Deaconess work, carried on under the auspices of one of the great connectional societies of the Church, is in harmony with the policy of the Church, and a guarantee for the wise and uniform development of the work. Efficiency and economy may thus be secured by utilizing an existing connectional agency.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is well organized throughout the country. Its auxiliaries are able and willing to assist in securing funds for the support and extension of the Deaconess work, and are also in the way of enlisting for service in this work women from the whole Church who are best adapted to it. The Woman's Home Missionary Society will, in its thoroughly equipped training school, prepare such women for highest usefulness to the Church.

PART II (RECOMMENDATIONS).

To secure the uniform development of the Deaconess work conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, we recommend the continued use of the constitution for organization of Deaconess Homes under which our existing homes are working, subject to such modifications as the needs of different localities or the laws of different States may require.

This constitution provides for a Local Board of Trustees, elected jointly by the Annual Conference Deaconess Board and the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, and requires annual reports to each of these bodies. The Local Board of Trustees will receive and disburse the funds raised, vouchers only for such funds being sent to the Conference Treasurer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Funds used for Deaconess work are special funds and must be raised for that special purpose, and no membership dues can be so applied.

We recommend that the supervision of Deaconess work in our Society be continued in the Deaconess Bureau, and that an advisory council of seven men, members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, be added to this Bureau.

We recommend that the plan now in use for the support of the Deaconesses be continued for the present.

We recommend uniformity of costume in general effects within all Deaconess Homes in American Methodism.

We recognize with pleasure the valuable Deaconess work which is being carried on by independent local boards. We extend greetings to all friends and supporters of this form of missionary service, and pledge our co-operation in securing the harmonious and efficient development of this work in our Church.

PART III (MEMORIAL).

In view of the fact that the right and duty of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to co-operate with the Conference Deaconess Boards in the training and support of the Deaconesses, and in the establishment and maintenance of Deaconess Homes, has been questioned by some, we therefore

recommend that the Woman's Home Missionary Society memoralize the General Conference concerning the relation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the Deaconess order and work, said memorial to be prepared by a Committee composed of the General Executive Board and the Deaconess Bureau, the Secretary of the Bureau acting as Chairman.

Mrs. Emma W. Rogers,	Mrs. F. A. Aiken,
Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson,	Mrs. R. Dymond,
Mrs. M. C. Hickman,	Mrs. M. B. Hagans,
Henry Wheeler, D. D.,	Mrs. M. D. House,
I. N. Dalby, D. D.,	Mrs. F. S. Hoyt,
Mrs. John Davis,	Mrs. J. F. Willing,
Mrs. R. S. Rust,	Mrs. W. G. Williams,

Mrs. A. R. Clark.

On By-Laws.

Resolved, That we amend By-law 13, Section 2, By-laws of Woman's Home Missionary Society, by adding after the word "*established*," the words, "The work of this Bureau shall be the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for immigrant women and girls, and also the care of the Italian work in New York City." Miss M. Van Marter, *Chairman.*

On Resolutions.

Resolved, That at the next Annual Meeting an hour be given to devotional exercises, beginning at 8:30 in the morning.

2. That the time allotted for the representation of Bureaus be as nearly equal as is consistent with the development of the work in the different Bureaus.

3. That at our Annual Meeting due time be given to missionaries who may be present to represent their work.

4. That delegates from this body be sent to the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union soon to meet in Boston, and that we recommend the appointment of the following ladies: Mrs. Bishop Simpson, Mrs. C. B. Fisk, Mrs. J. F. Willing, Mrs. L. Hollister and Mrs. M. E. Griffith.

5. That the resolution in regard to a change of the time for holding the communion service at our Annual Meeting be referred to the Committee on Program.

6. That the resolution in regard to a change in kind of Mite Boxes be referred to the Committee on Mite Boxes.

7. That the thanks of this body be given to President and Mrs. Harrison for the courtesies extended to us at the White House.

8. That thanks be extended to Mrs. J. Eddy Somers for the gracious hospitality tendered to us at her beautiful home.

9. That the thanks of this body be given to the different railroad companies that have favored us with reduced rates of travel; to the press for their accurate reports and kindly mention; to the pastor and trustees of this church, and to the ladies of the different churches who have so bountifully supplied our wants at the noon hour; to the resident ladies who have provided for our reception and entertainment; and to those who, in their homes, have given to us the largest measure of Christian hospitality.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, *Secretary.* Mrs. J. F. Willing, *Chairman.*

On Finance and Mission Fields.

The Committee on Finance and Mission Fields recommend as follows, for the year 1891–2:

I.—APPROPRIATIONS.

Southern Work.

ATLANTA, GA.—Missionary, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Assistant teacher	160
Repairs and improvements	100
Total	$ 660
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Four missionaries, salary, traveling expenses	$ 1,600
Repairs and sanitary work	90
Incidentals and furnishings	125
Total	$ 1,815
OCALA, FLA.—Two missionaries	$ 550
Incidentals and furnishing	130
Rent of house	100
Total	$ 780
Emerson Memorial Home (conditional)	$ 3,500
Furnishing (conditional)	500
SAVANNAH, GA.—Missionary, salary and traveling expenses	$ 480
Three missionaries, salary and traveling expenses	1,080
Running expenses	500
Keeping horse and cow	250
Emergency fund	250
Total	$ 2,560
To build a school-house (conditional)	5,700
Speedwell mission, incidentals	$ 100
Speedwell mission, to build a home for teacher (conditional)	500
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses	$ 820
Repairs and furnishings	250
Total	$ 1,070
CAMDEN, S. C.—Superintendent and three teachers, salary and traveling expenses	$ 1,560
Repairs on Industrial Home	420
Payment, interest and taxes	675
Total	$ 2,655
Organ (conditional)	$ 50
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Two teachers, salary and traveling expenses	$ 800
Industrial teacher	280
Insurance and repairs	214
Total	$ 1,294
Building Industrial Home (conditional)	$ 2,500

GREENSBORO, N. C.—Superintendent and missionary, salary and traveling expenses	$ 740
Postage and incidentals	60
Total	$ 800
ATHENS, TENN.—Superintendent and industrial teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 795
Postage and incidentals	50
Total	$ 845
Finishing building and furnishing (conditional)	$ 3,000
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Missionary and industrial teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 360
Superintendent (half year), salary and traveling expenses,	240
Furnishings and incidentals	500
Total	$ 1,100
Building Industrial Home (conditional)	$ 3,500
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Two teachers, salary and traveling expenses	$ 960
One teacher for half year, salary and traveling expenses	240
Repairs	400
Incidentals	150
Total	$ 1,750
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—Two missionaries, salary and traveling expenses	$ 960
Furniture and carpet	150
Incidentals	150
Total	$ 1,260
NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Two missionaries, salary and traveling expenses	$ 960
Missionary, for French and Italian work	300
Painting building, (referred to the General Executive Board)	
Incidentals and repairs	150
Front pavement	410
Total	$ 1,520
MARSHALL, TEXAS.—Two teachers, salary and traveling expenses	$ 790
Incidentals and postage	10
Total	$ 800
For finishing building (conditional upon being raised in Texas)	$ 1,500
For finishing building (conditional)	1,000
Total	$ 2,500
Total for Southern Work	$ 19,309
Total for Southern Work (conditional)	21,750

Indian Work.

PAWHUSKA, OK. TER.—Superintendent and two teachers	$ 1,080
Matron and helpers	850
Man	300
Table supplies	1,000
Incidentals	250
Total	$ 3,380
PONCA, OK. TER.—Missionary	$ 480
Interpreter	50
Incidentals	50
Repairs and improvements	63
Total	$ 643
PAWNEE, OK. TER.—Missionary	$ 480
Interpreter	60
Incidentals	50
Cistern and stove	36
Total	$ 626
NOOKSACHK, WASH.—Superintendent (conditional upon being needed)	$ 400
Matron and two teachers (conditional as above)	900
Agricultural implements and stock	400
Incidentals and insurance	150
Farm help (conditional as above)	250
Total	$ 2,100
Finishing building and furnishing (conditional)	$ 1,500
EL RENO, IND. TER.—Missionary	$ 480
House and incidentals	250
Total	$ 730
UKIAH, CAL.—Missionary	$ 400
Total for Indian Work	$ 7,879
Total for Indian Work (c ional)	1,500

Utah.

SPRING CITY.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Incidentals	30
Total	$ 430
MT. PLEASANT.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Assistant teacher, salary and traveling expenses	300
House rent and incidentals	120
Total	$ 820
MORONI.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Incidentals and supplies	20
Total	$ 420
ELSINORE.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Incidentals	15
Total	$ 415

RICHFIELD.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Assistant teacher, salary and traveling expenses	300
House rent and incidentals	75
Total	$ 775
SPANISH FORK.—Teacher, salary and expenses	$ 400
Incidentals and supplies	50
Total	$ 450
SALT LAKE CITY.—Teacher, salary and expenses	$ 400
Completion of Spencer Home	300
Incidentals	50
City missionary, English	480
City missionary, Scandinavian	480
Postage	15
Total	$ 1,725
PROVO.—Teacher, salary and expenses	$ 400
Incidentals	50
Total	$ 450
LOGAN.—Teacher, salary and traveling expenses	$ 400
Incidentals and supplies	50
Total	$ 450
Total for Utah	$ 5,935

New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish).

ALBUQUERQUE.—Superintendent and Industrial teacher, salary and expenses	$ 960
Repairs and incidentals	250
Total	$ 1,210
Building for home and school (conditional)	$ 4,000
CANDELARIUS.—Missionary, salary and traveling expenses	$ 480
Keeping of horse	20
Rent and incidentals	150
Total	$ 650
Horse and carriage (conditional)	$ 80
LAS VEGAS.—Two missionaries, salary and traveling expenses	$ 960
Rent and incidentals	250
Total	$ 1,210
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish)	$ 3,070
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (conditional)	4,080

New Mexico and Arizona (Indian).

DULCE.—Two missionaries, salary and expenses	$ 1,000
Furniture and improvements	500
Total	$ 1,500
Industrial building (conditional)	$ 2,000

NAVAJOES.—Building	$ 1,500
Furniture	200
Two missionaries and expenses	1,000
Interpreter, horse and wagon	275
Total	$ 2,975
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian)	$ 4,475
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (conditional)	2,000

Alaska.

UNALASKA.—Two missionaries	$ 960
Traveling and incidentals	500
Insurance	100
Total	$ 1,560
Industrial Home and furnishing (conditional)	$10,000
UNGA.—Stevens cottage and mission work	$ 200
Total for Alaska	$ 1,760
Total for Alaska (conditional)	10,000

Immigrant Work.

NEW YORK CITY.—Missionary	$ 378
Superintendent	480
Domestic	168
Rent	650
Current expenses	500
Incidentals	120
Total	$ 2,296
Building for home and school (conditional)	$50,000
Training teacher (conditional)	480
Total	$50,480
PHILADELPHIA.—Immigrant work (conditional)	$ 600
City mission work (conditional)	500
Total	$ 1,100
BOSTON.—Debt on Immigrant's Home	$ 2,000
Missionary	364
Assistant	260
Domestic	189
Repairs, postage and incidentals	100
Fuel	100
Total	$ 3,013
Debt on home (conditional)	$ 6,000
NEW YORK ITALIAN MISSION.—Rent of home	$ 600
Superintendent	480
Missionary	480
Fuel and gas	100
Furniture and school requisites	150
Total	$ 1,810

Building (conditional)	$10,000
Helping Hand fund (conditional)	40
Total	$10,040
Total for Immigrant Work	$ 7,119
Total for Immigrant Work (conditional)	67,620

Deaconess Work.—(Conditional.)

BUFFALO	$ 2,500
DETROIT	5,000
WASHINGTON	8,000
PITTSBURG	2,000
SYRACUSE	2,000
PHILADELPHIA	3,000
GRAND RAPIDS	5,000
NEW ORLEANS	3,000
NORTHERN NEW YORK	150
BROOKLYN, Deaconess and Local Work	3,500
Total	$34,150

Conference Work.—(Conditional.)

DETROIT	$ 3,500
MICHIGAN	2,000
NEW HAMPSHIRE	100
PITTSBURG	500
NEW JERSEY	500
Total	$ 6,600

City Work.—(Conditional.)

CLEVELAND	$ 1,000
PAWTUCKET	250
WILMINGTON	500
CINCINNATI—GLENN HOME	6,000
Total	$ 7,750
CHICAGO.—Bohemian work, missiona	$ 480
Assistants	250
Total	$ 730
Mission building (conditional)	$10,000
YORK, NEB.—Superintendent and assistant	$ 800
Farmer	250
Matron	480
Table supplies and clothing	2,000
Machinery	200
Total	$ 3,730
Building (conditional)	$10,000
Chapel and school (conditional)	5,000
Furnishing (conditional)	1,000
Total	$16,000

Beneficiaries.—(Conditional.)

Atlanta	$ 100
Jacksonville	150
Orangeburg	150
Camden	250
Greensboro	150
Athens	150
Holly Springs	150
Little Rock	150
New Orleans	100
Marshall	40
New Mexico—Spanish	700
Spencer Home, Utah	40
Unalaska	1,000
Total	$ 3,130
General Incidental Expenses	$ 4,000

Summary.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
South	$18,599	$17,750
Indian	7,879	1,500
Utah	5,935	———
New Mexico—Spanish	3,070	4,080
New Mexico—Indian	4,475	2,000
Alaska	1,760	10,000
Immigrant	7,849	77,620
Deaconess	———	34,150
Conference	———	6,600
City	———	7,500
Mothers' Jewels Home	3,730	16,000
Beneficiaries	———	3,130
Incidental Expenses	4,000	———
Total	$58,007	$184,580

Note.—The term "conditional" as here used means that the fund to which it is applied is to be raised for the work indicated; and the amounts so marked will not be expended unless they are specially provided for the purpose.

II.—RECOMMENDATIONS.

Adopted as Follows:

1. That the incumbent Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields hold her office for a year, and until her successor is elected. That it be made her duty to prepare, as far as possible, the work of the Committee for the Annual Meeting.

2. Recognizing the pressing needs for organized Home Missionary work in the city of Chicago, and believing that the Woman's Home Missionary Society should enter upon a larger work than we have already done in this city, we therefore recommend and earnestly invite the Methodist women of Chicago and vicinity to strengthen and multiply their auxiliaries to the Woman's Home Missionary Society and to organize for city work in co-operation with the Bureau for Local Work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

3. That persons receiving deaconess or missionary training, supported in whole or in part as beneficiaries of our auxiliaries, be required to attend the school for training at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. E. B. Green, *Secretary.* Mrs. D. L. Williams, *Chairman.*

Report of the Treasurer.

MRS. A. R. CLARK, in Account with the Woman's Home Missionary Society,

November 1, 1890, to November 1, 1891.

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

Baltimore Conference.

MRS. CLARA L. ROACH, Secretary. MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Madison Avenue, $58.00; Mt. Vernon Place, $52.00; South Baltimore, $5.00; Strawbridge, $47.00. Total, $162.00.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: North Baltimore, $31.50; Madison Square, $20.00; West Harford, $10.00. Total, $61.50.

WEST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Grace, $50.00; Fayette Street, $1.80; Harlem Park, $33.00; Whatcoat, $5.00. Total, $89.80.

FREDERICK DISTRICT.—Cumberland, Center Church, $3.75; Frederick, $6.55; Janesville, $12.00; Paw Paw, $15.00. Total, $37.30.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: Dumbarton Avenue, $24.75; Foundry, Senior, $47.00; Foundry Junior, $47.52; Fourth Street, $38.95; Hamline, Senior, $88.00; Hamline, Junior, $8.10; McKendree, Senior, $37.75; McKendree, Junior, $1.35; Metropolitan, $56.00; Ryland, $34.51; Waugh, Senior, $30.00; Waugh, Junior, $4.60; Wesley Chapel, $34.75; Circle, $3.00; Kensington, $22.00 Total, $478.28.

OTHER SOURCES.—Baltimore Conference, $84.00. Total, $84.00.

To Frontier Fund.—Washington: Dumbarton, $25.00; Foundry, Senior, $25.00; McKendree, $10.00; Strawbridge, $15.00. Total, $75.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $987.88.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Ritter Home.*—McKendree, Mrs. Rankin, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $50.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Washington: Hamline, Senior, $100.00; Wesley Chapel, $55.00; Waugh, Senior, $102.97; Waugh, Junior, $22.37. Total, $280.34.

To Stickney Home.—Baltimore, Mrs. Richardson to name a window, "Rev. Thomas Sewell," $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Ritter Home.—Baltimore: Grace, $10.00; Mount Vernon Place, $5.00; Washington, McKendree, Mrs. Rankin, $300.00. Total, $315.00.

To Albuquerque.—Spanish Work.—Mrs. Mary E. McPherson, $2.00. To al, $2.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training School.—On Building.—Subscription by Washington citizens, $1,620.00. By Churches, Washington: Foundry, $50.00; Mrs. McDowell, $50.00; Mrs. Rankin, $100.00; Miss Marion Fowler, $50.00. Total, $1,870.00.

To Deaconess Home.—To Expense Fund from November 1, 1890, to November 1, 1891. North Baltimore, $25.00; Washington: Dumbarton, $6.00; Fourth Street, $1.00; Foundry, Senior, $156.67; Mission Circle, $38.00; Hamline, Senior, $102.50: Queen Esther Circle, $11.50; McKendree, $4.00; Metropolitan, $69.62; Waugh, $24.00; Wesley, $29.00. Total, $467.29.

Total to Home and Training School . . . . . $2,337.29.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Baltimore: Nellie Haner, $2.00; Freddie Lapham, $2.00; Glenn Falls, $2.00; Washington: Foundry, $4.00; Meta Altscha, $2.00; Annie E. Borie, $4.00; Hamline, Senior, $4.00; Harlem Park, $2.00; Wesley Chapel, $2.00; Waugh, $17 55; Kensington, eight solicitors, $12.80. Total, $54.35.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $2 993.98.
Grand Total . . . . . $4,031.86.

California Conference.

MRS. P. Q. BUCHANAN, Secretary. MRS. MARGARET WYTHE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—NAPA DISTRICT.—Napa, $20.00. Total, $20.00.
OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda, $26.00; Berkeley, $11.00; Oakland, First Church, $44.00; Mission Circle, $5.50. Total, $86.50.
SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Sacramento, Central, $16.00. Total, $16.00.
SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—San Francisco: Central, $43.00; Howard Street, $10.00; Powell Street, $11.00; Trinity, $16.00; Pacific Grove, $10.00; San Jose, First Church, $32.00; Santa Cruz, $22.00. Total, $144.00.
OTHER SOURCES.—Conference offerings, $32.00. Total, $32.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $298.50.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Chinese Girls.*—Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Pacific Coast, Oakland, First Church, $130.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $130.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Indian Fund.—Klamath Chapel.*—Alameda, $10.00; Napa, $10.00; Oakland, First Church, $25.00; San Francisco: Central Church, $10.00; Trinity, $11.00; Sacramento, Central, $5.00; Santa Cruz, $10.00; Donations without special credits, $68.00; from Conference Treasurer, $30.00. Total, $179.00.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Donations, $2.25. Total, $2.25.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Alameda, Sunshine Makers, $12.00. Total, $12.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $193.25.
Grand Total . . . . . $621.75.

Of the $298.50 contributed for General Fund, $149.25 were disbursed in the Conference.

Central Illinois Conference.

MISS L. A. SMITH, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—GALESBURG DISTRICT.—Carthage Circle, $7.00; Galesburg, $23.50. Total, $30.50.
KANKAKEE DISTRICT.—Kempton, $15.08; Onarga, 23.40. Total, $38.48.
ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.—Rock Island, $15.00. Total, $15.00.
OTHER SOURCES.—Conference offering, $11.00. Total, $11.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $94.98.

To Special Fund.—*To Utah.*—Carthage, $20.00. Total, $20.00.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lynn Centre, $1.60; Rock Island, $10.75; Sheldon, Sunday School Class, $3 10; Miss Smith's collection, $4 90; Toulon, Richard and Henry Russell, $2.00: Watseka camp, $6.00. Total, $28.35.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Onarga, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $49 35.
Grand Total . . . . . $144.33.

Central Missouri Conference.

MRS. B. M. TAYLOR, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Conference offerings, $14.00. Total, $14.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—St. Charles, Miss Stowffer, $2.00. Total, $2.00.

Grand Total . . . . . $16.00.

Central New York Conference.

MRS. W. A. BROWNELL, Secretary. MRS. J. F. PEASE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, $50.50; Wall Street, $19.40; Clyde, $5.00; Sumner Hill, $9.00; Seneca Falls, $9.50; Venice, $1.00. Total, $94.40.

CAZENOVIA DISTRICT.—Bennett's Corner, $1.00; Cazenovia, $40.25; Chittenango, $1.75; Circle, $7.25; Cincinnatus, $1.00; Cortland, $33.20; Circle, $4.00; Band, $1.25; DeWitt, $8.00; Keeney's Settlement, $5.00; North Pitcher, $1.00; Oneida, $20.25. Total, $123.95.

ELMIRA DISTRICT.—Canton (Pa.), $64.90; Elmira, First Church, $23.00; Home Lights, $12.50; Rutland, $4.00; Troy (Pa.), $29.46. Total, $133.86.

GENEVA DISTRICT.—Lyons, $9.50; Marion, $1.00; Newark, $22.00; Penn Yan, $32.75; Circle, $6.25; Williamson, $0.50. Total, $72.00.

ITHACA DISTRICT.—Asbury and West Dryden, $13.00; Aurora, $10.00; Groton, $1.00; Horseheads, $14.25; Ithaca: First Church, $22.25; Boys' Band, $0.50; Jacksonville, $2.68; Lodi, $10.00; Mechlenburg, $13.00; Newfield, $16.00; Ovid, $19.50; Trumansburg, $4.00. Total $126.18.

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Baldwinsville, $33.00; East Syracuse, $3.00; Liverpool, $7.00; Manlius Station, $26.51; Onondaga Mission, $1.00; Syracuse: Centenary, $57.25; First Church, $58.38; Lilian Vernon Circle, $6.00; First Ward, $25.25; Circle, $0.99; Furman Street, $39.75; University Avenue, $31.00; West Genesee, $11.25. Total, $300 38.

OTHER SOURCES.—Mrs. Statham, $1.00; Mrs. Cory, $1.00. Total, $2.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $852.77.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Pawnee.*—Cortland, $24.00. Total, $24.00.

To Alaska.—Jesse Lee Home.—Penn Yan, $25.00; Clifton Springs, Young People's Society, $12.50. Total, $37.50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $61.50.

To Special Fund.—*To Peck Home.*—Auburn, First Church, $1.50; Syracuse: Centenary Church, $17.20; Contingent Fund, $10.00; University Avenue, Self Denial Band, $15.00. Total, $43.70.

To Utah.—Spencer Home.—Milo Center, $15.00; Miss Hart, $3.00. Total, $18.00.

To Bohemian Work.—Baldwinsville, $7.00; Penn Yan, $20.00. Total, $27.00.

To Castle Garden.—Canton (Pa.), $25.00 Total, $25.00.

To Indian Fund.—Pawnee.—Cortland, $36.00. Total, $36.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Cortland Circle, $10.00 (to name a window "Ruby Conable"); Ithaca, First Church, $2.00; Syracuse, First Church, $26.00. Total, $38.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brewerton, Goodwin, and C. Hamline, $2.00; Chittenango, $0.20; Cazenovia, $1.00; Cortland, $0.30; Elmira, First Church Home Lights, $2.00; Ithaca, First Church, $2.25; Manlius, $3.00; Syracuse, Centenary, $11.80 (to name a window "Rhea Ross"); West Genesee, $4 30. Total, $26.85.

To Deaconess Work in Syracuse, N. Y.—Disbursed through the Conference and reported by vouchers. Auburn, First Church, $12.50; Baldwinsville, $10.00; Cazenovia, $5.00; King's Daughters, $28.00; DeWitt, $23.66; Ithaca,

First Church, $14.00; Keeney's Settlement, $3.00; Syracuse: Centenary, $65.00; First Church, $48.81; Circle, $5.00; Furman Street, King's Daughters, $65.00; West Genesee, $57.78; without credit, $10.00; Syracuse District, $15.00; Troy, $5 00. Total, $367.75.

To Deaconess Home by Entertainment.—Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $12.52; Centenary, $25.63; First Church, $62.52; First Ward, $15.08; Furman Street, $13.02; University Avenue, $17 29; West Genesee, $7.52. Total, $153.58.

Total to Deaconess Work . . . . . $521.33.
Total to Special Fund . . . . . $735.88.
Grand Total. . . . . $1,650.15.

Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. W. G. WILLIAMS, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BELLEFONTAINE DISTRICT.—Anna, $13.75; DeGraff, $20.50; Hardin $17.15; Kenton, $14.50; Circle, $5.29; Quincy, $5.00; Sidney, $30.75; Band, $3.50. Total, $110.42.

DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Ayersville, $3.75; Bryan, $15.50; Band, $3.12; Defiance, $24.00; Circle, $13.00; Band, $1.19; Florida, $11 75; Circle, $1.00; Florida Circuit, $3.75; Ottawa, $19.74; Paulding, $10.00; Circle, $9.39; Pioneer, $16.75; Circle, $0.81. Total, $133.75.

DELAWARE DISTRICT.—Agosta, $4.38; Delaware, William Street, $31.25; Band, $1.50; Marion, $10.50; Marysville, $34.25; Band, $1.85; Prospect, $11.00; Upper Sandusky, $17.50; West Mansfield, $6.25; Delaware, William Street, $101.50 (Utah). Total, $219.98.

FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, $17.50; Adrian Circuit, McCutchenville, $9.25; Bloomdale, $10.00; Carey, $18.00; Columbus Grove, $6.00; Circle, $6.75; Dunkirk, Harris Chapel, $8.00; Findlay: First Church, $50.00; Howard Church, $18.24; Fostoria, $24.00; Band, $10.00; Fostoria, Union Circuit, $16.75; Fremont, $40.00; Rawson, $7.20; Rawson Circuit, Benton Ridge, $14.85. Total, $256.54.

LIMA DISTRICT.—Elida, $8.56; Delphos, $14.50; Band, $3.50; Lafayette Circuit, Herring, $3.00; Salem, $7.00; Perry, $8.00; Mendon, $19.95; Mercer, $14.80; Saint Mary's, $1.00; Rockford, $3.00; Fountain Chapel, $1.00; Van Wert, $10.15. Total, $94.46.

TOLEDO DISTRICT.—Bowling Green, $50.00; Greensburg, $21.00; Oak Harbor, $13.00; Port Clinton, $18.74; Toledo: Saint Paul, $83.00; Circle, $7.45; Third Street, $31.41. Total, $224.60.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $1,039.75.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Toledo, St. Paul, $40.00. Total, $40.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $40.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Utah.*—*Thomson Chapel.*—Delaware, William Street, $120.00. Total, $120 00.

To Indian Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Delaware, Asbury, Mrs. Morrison, $10.00. *To Navajoes.*—DeGraff, $5.00. Total, $15.00.

To Morristown Home.—Delaware, William Street, $10.00 (to name a window "Alice"). Total, $10.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Delaware, William Street, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Immigrant Work in New York.—Delaware, William Street, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

To Ritter Home.—Ayersville, $50.00; Bryan, $29.33; Band, $10.00; DeGraff, $10 00; Defiance, $250.91; Circle, $147.09; Band, $0.61; Dupont, $2.50; Fayette, $10.00; Florida, $40 25; Circle, $7.00; Florida Circuit, $11.64; Ottawa. $50.00; Paulding, $26.23; Circle, $19.40; Pioneer, $28.00; Scott, $8.00; Miss Elizabeth Ritter, Sharon, $10.00; West Unity, $10.00; Delaware, William Street, $313.01; Circle, $37.85; Delaware, Asbury, $10.00; Prospect, $3.00; Bloomdale, $10.00; Ada, $1.14; Adrian Circuit,

McCutchenville, $12.75; Columbus Grove, $9.96; Circle, $10.00; Fremont, $95.00; Rawson Circuit, Benton Ridge, $8.06; Elida, $6.14; Delphos, $35.93; Circle, $2.88; Herring, $1.25; Perry, $1.95; Salem, $5.66; Mercer, $4.00; St. Mary's, $1.40; Rockford, $4.00; Van Wert, $2.03; Van Wert Circuit, $5.00; Wapakoneta, $0.75; Bowling Green, $45.03; Greensburg, $25.00; Oak Harbor, $11.50; Toledo: St. Paul, $154.38; Third Street, $6.84; Lake Side Offering, $35.00; Cash used for furnishings, reported by voucher: Defiance, $27.85; Circle, $28.48; Florida, $15.36; Ottawa, $25.00; Paulding, $17.00; Delaware, William Street, $12.06; Upper Sandusky, $2.50; Bowling Green, $13.00; Toledo, St. Paul, $31.63. Total, $1,708.35.

To King Home.—Anna, $10.00; Sidney, $86.50; Delaware, William Street, $50.00; Marion, $2.00; Marysville, $57.50; Upper Sandusky, $10.00; Ada, $45.00; Findlay: First Church, $75.00; Third Church, $11.00; Fostoria, $25.00; Rawson Circuit, Benton Ridge, $25.00; Defiance, $5.00; Cash used for furnishings: Sidney, $23.50; Marysville, $42.50; Upper Sandusky, $2.50; Ada, $27.50; Findlay, First Church, $15.00. Total, $513.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Ada, $1.80; Bryan, $4.50; Defiance, $0.40; DeGraff, $0.20; Delaware, William Street, $11.60; Delphos, $1.30; East Union Church, $10.00; Findlay: First Church, $1.00; Howard Church, $1.40; Fostoria, $6.80; Fremont, $7.20; Greensburg, $1.00; Herring, $0.40; Marysville, $1.00; Plymouth, $1.00; Sidney, $10.00; Toledo: Saint Paul, $17.00; Circle, $0.75; Third Street, $3.00; Wapakoneta, $1.00. Total, $81.35.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Agosta, $2.00; Bellefontaine, $2.00; Bradford, $4.00; Bryan, $4.55; Benton Ridge, $2.00; Carey, $2.00; Delaware, William Street, $8.00; Duke's Chapel, $2.00; Defiance, $5.00; Delphos, $25.00; DeGraff, $2.00; Elida, $4.00; Florida, $4.00; Fountain Chapel, $4.00; Findlay: Howard Church, $69.00; Third Street, $6.00; Hardin, $2.10; Herring, $4.00; Mount Blanchard, $3.00; Ottawa, $8.40; Paulding, $6.00; Rockford, $4.00; St. Mary's, $10.00; Toledo, Saint Paul, $37.10; Van Wert, $10.00; Van Wert Circuit, $3.75. Total, $233.90.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $2,736.60.
Grand Total. . . . . $3,816.35.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, Secretary. MRS. H. W. BLACK, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ALTOONA DISTRICT.—Bellefont, $18 25; Tyrone, Young People's Society, $3.42. Total, $21.67.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Berwick, $30.25; Mountain Grove Camp, $1.00; Shamokin, $14.00; Sunbury, $21.00. Total, $66.25.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.—Carlisle, $20.95; Chambersburg, $28.50; Harrisburg: Grace, $113.25; Ridge Avenue, $14.75; Band, $3.25; New Cumberland, $6.25; Circle, $8.25. Total, $195.20.

JUNIATA DISTRICT.—Huntingdon, $7.00; Summit Grove Camp, $5.00. Total, $12.00.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.—Lock Haven, $20.00; Lewisburg, $6.50; Milton, $15.00; Williamsport: Grace, $20.70; Mulberry Street, $29.25; Circle, $5.00; Pine Street, $17.00. Total, $113.45.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $10.18. Total, $10.18.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $418.75.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Berwick, $3.00; Carlisle, $2.89; Harrisburg: Grace, $18.37; Ridge Avenue, $5.27; Band, $3.58; Milton, $2.89; New Cumberland, $8.50; Shamokin, $0.38; Williamsport: Grace, $6.31; Mulberry Street, $14.43. Total, $65.62.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $65.62.

To Special Fund.—*To Ritter Home.*—Conference Society, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To King Home.—New Cumberland, Circle, $11.50. Total, $11.50.
To Peck Home.—Williamsport, Mulberry Band, $30.00. Total, $30.00.
To Morristown.—Conference Society, $20.00. Total, $20.00.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Lock Haven, $2.00; Harrisburg, Mrs. Black, $2.00; Williamsport, Mulberry Street, $9.60. Total, $13.60.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bellefont, $9.09; Bloomsburg, $2.00; Chambersburg, $3.00; Hazleton, $4.00; Harrisburg: Grace, $10.70; Band, $5.80; Ridge Avenue Band, $4.75; Mountain Grove Camp, $2.00; Light Street, $2.00; Milton, $14.00; Williamsport: Mulberry, $8.20 Circle, $4.20; Sunbury, $8.50. Total, $78.24.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $163.34.
Grand Total . . . . . $647.71.

Cincinnati Conference.

MRS. I. D. JONES, Secretary. MRS. JAMES DALE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Cincinnati: Avondale, $34.00; Asbury, $27.50; Christie, $31.00; Mt. Auburn, $64.00; St. Paul, $207.13; St. John, $1.00; Trinity, $186.30; Circle, $13.00; Walnut Hills, $152.00; Circle, $14.15; Band, $6.60; Winton Place, Band, $12.50; York, $28.00; in memory of Beaumont R. Chapin, $1.00; Delhi, $28.00; Ivanhoe, $11.00; Mt. Lookout, $26.50; Pendleton, $2.25. Total, $845.93.
HAMILTON DISTRICT.—Carthage, $28.75; Hartwell, $47.00; Lebanon, $8.00; Middletown, $32.00; Oxford, $33.45; Pleasant Ridge, $25.75; Springborough, $9.15. Total, $184.10.
DAYTON DISTRICT.—Brookville, $7.25; Dayton: Grace, $124.94; Gaddis Band, $23.00; Raper, $61.75; St. Paul, $8.50; Greenville, $36.00; Willing Workers, $1.50; Piqua: Grace, $12.00; Green Street, $100.00; Clark Band, $14.00; Mrs. Sarepta M. Baker's bequest, $1,000.00; Troy, Mulberry Street, $77.55. Total, $1,466.49.
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—Hillsboro, $4.00. Total, $4.00.
RIPLEY DISTRICT.—Milford, $29.00. Total, $29.00.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Mechanicsburg, $20.55; New Moorefield, $2.50; Springfield: Central, $50.50; High Street, $36.00; Saint Paul, $59.78; South Charleston, $13.00; Urbana: First Church, $22.00; Grace, $30.35; Xenia, First Church, $32.50; Circle, $16.05; Yellow Springs, $10.00. Total, $293.23.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $2,822.75.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Cincinnati, Walnut Hills, $60.00; Leesburg, Olive Mission, $15.00. Total, $75.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $75.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Castle Garden.*—Dayton, Raper Chapel, $10.00. Total, $10.00.
To Indian Fund.—Cincinnati: Mt. Auburn, $25.00; Mrs. Walden's pledge, $25.00; Franklin Circle, $16.21. Total, $66.21.
To Jesse Lee Home.—Dayton: Grace, $50.00; Raper Chapel, $10.00. Total, $60.00.
To Morristown.—Cincinnati, Trinity, $5.00; Piqua, Green Street, $2.75. Total, $7.75.
To Ritter Home.—Cincinnati: Avondale, $10.00; Trinity, $30.00; Mrs. Davis, $10 00; Dayton, Grace, $50.00. Total, $100.00.
To Emerson Home.—Avondale, $21.00. Total, $21.00.
To King Home.—New Moorefield, $2.50. Total, $2.50.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Cincinnati: Avondale, $4.00; St. Paul, Wesleyan College Alumnæ, $10.00; Trinity, $5.00; Walnut Hills, $6.30; Dayton: Grace, $50.00; Hartwell, $1.00; Piqua, $1.00; Troy, $1.00; Urbana, $1.00; Xenia, First Church, $20.00; Circle, $10.00. Total, $109.30.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brookville, $3.25; Cincinnati: St. Paul, $17.00; Trinity, $24.10; Walnut Hills, $44.95; Carthage, $9.70; Cuba, $1.10; Dayton:

Grace, Gaddis Band, $20.00; Jewels, $2.90; Raper Chapel, $12.00; St. Paul, $33.50; Greenville, $7.85; Hamilton, Mrs. Hughes' collection, $22.00; Ivanhoe, $14.00; Leesburg, Olive Mission (Callie Gaddis bed), $26.38; Middletown, $1.40; Monterey, $2.00; Nicholsville, $2.70; Mount Lookout, $3.00; Pleasant Ridge, $4.10; Springfield: Grace, $2.00; Catherine Fisher, $0.10; Winton Place, $2.00; Xenia, Trinity Band, $30.40 (to Francis Alexander room); Tradersville, Percy Roberts, $2.00; Miss Fox, $2.00. Total, $290.43.

To Glenn Home.—Special Conference Work.—Brookville Band, $10.00; Cincinnati: Avondale, $40.00; Christie, $10.35; Trinity, $34.75; Circle, $15.00; Walnut Hills, $116.31; York, $26.20; Mrs. Livezey's donation, $25.00; Carthage, $7.00; Concord, Jackson Circle, $10.00; Dayton: Grace, Gaddis Band, $20.00; Raper, $12.25; St. Paul, $4.00; Delhi, $4.00; Mechanicsburg, $5.00; Springfield, Central Church, $15.00. Total, $354.86.

OTHER SOURCES.—Collection at Conference, $30.30; Conference offerings, $54.00. Total, $84.30.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $1,106 35.
Grand Total . . . . . $4,004.10.

Colorado Conference.

MRS. W. F. MCDOWELL, Secretary. MRS. H. C. KING, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—NORTHERN DISTRICT.—Central City, $15.00; Denver: Asbury, $11.62; Christ Church, $26.83; Fort Collins, $11.00; Greeley, $27.25; Longmont, $13.25; New Windsor, $12.75; Wheat Ridge, $22.00. Total, $129.70.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.—Canon City, $42.62; Colorado Springs, $72.64; Denver: Grace, $32.00; Trinity, $100.00; Pueblo, Mesa, $23.00. Total, $270.26.

GUNNISON DISTRICT.—Grand Junction, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference offerings, $42.00. Total, $42.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $442.96.

To Special Fund.—*To Utah.*—Colorado Springs, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

To Albuquerque.—Colorado Conference, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Denver: Christ Church, $2.00; Trinity, $28.75. Total, $30.75.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $155.75.
Grand Total. . . . . $598.71.

Of the $442.96 General Fund, $221.48 were disbursed in the Conference.

Columbia River Conference.

MRS. D. G. STRONG, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—WALLA WALLA DISTRICT.—Alba, $1.10; Athena, $6.00; Milton, $21.10; Pendleton, $11.50; Pomeroy, $11.75; Waitsburg, $5.00; Walla Walla, $22.25; Band, $1.50. Total, $80.20.

SPOKANE DISTRICT.—Moscow, $12.00; Collection, $7.50; Palouse, $6.90 (collection); Spokane, First Church, $10.00. Total, $35.50.

THE DALLES DISTRICT.—Fossil, $15.00; Heppner, $5.00; Latah, $16.25; The Dalles, $1.00. Total, $37.25.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.—Fort Simcoe, $2.00. Total, $2.00.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $35.00. Total, $35.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $189.95.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Alba, $3.40; Fort Simcoe, $3.00; Latah Band, $5.25; Heppner, $5.00; Lewiston, $6.30; Milton, $12.70; Moscow, $20.00; North Yakima, $20.00; Pendleton, $5.00; Pomeroy "Busy Bees," $10.25; Prescott, $2.70; Prineville Band, $11.00; Spokane, First

Church, $2.00; The Dalles, $2.00; Walla Walla, $11.15; Band, $0.55; Special offering, $0.50. Total, $120.80.

Total to Beneficiary Fund. . . . . $120.80.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Alba, $0.60; Heppner, $2.00; Latah Band, $2.50; Pomeroy "Busy Bees," $2.00; Prescott, $0.30; Prineville Band, $2.00; Walla Walla, $0.20; Special contributions, $5.00; four Jewels, $0.40. Total, $15.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $15 00.
Grand Total. . . . . $325.75.

Des Moines Conference.

MRS. D. AUSTIN, Secretary. MRS. E. M. HOLMES, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—DES MOINES DISTRICT.—Des Moines First Church, $10.76. Total, $10.76.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference gatherings, without special credits, $87.50. Total, $87.50.

Total to General Fund, ... $98.26.

To Special Fund.—*To Albuquerque.*—Des Moines, First Church, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $100.00.
Grand Total, ... $198.26.

Detroit Conference.

MRS. L. HOLLISTER, Secretary. MRS. C. H. MORGAN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Reported by Districts: Detroit, $481.85; Adrian, $486.33; Flint, $326.90; Saginaw, $474.31; Port Huron, $424.82; Bay City, $596.28; Marquette, $249.18. Total, $3,039.67.

Total to General Fund, through Districts, ... $3,039.67.

TO LOCAL WORK.—Disbursed in towns and cities of Detroit Conference.—DETROIT DISTRICT.—Birmingham, $3.00; Delray, $15.00; Detroit: Cass Avenue, $9.13; Preston, $15.15; West Bloomfield, $7.00. Total, $49.28.

ADRIAN DISTRICT.—Dundee, $25.00; Tecumseh, $14.00. Total, $39 00.

FLINT DISTRICT.—Dansville, $44.99; Flint: Court Street, $8.70; Garland Street, $10.00; Milford, $5.00. Total, $68.69.

SAGINAW DISTRICT.—Corunna, $4.00; East Saginaw, Jefferson Street, $61.82; Owasso, $14.60. Total, $80.42.

PORT HURON DISTRICT.—Alpena, $10.00; Fort Gratiot, $53.00. Total, $63 00.

BAY CITY DISTRICT.—Bay City: Fremont Avenue, $58.00; Madison Avenue, $165.99; East Tawas, $12.00; Tawas, $7.00. Total, $242.99.

Total to Local Work, ... $543.38.

TO LOAN LIBRARY.—Detroit, Cass Avenue, $2.50; Ann Arbor, $146.00; Flint, Court Street; $1.50; Fowlerville, $2.00. Total, $152.00.

To Japanese Student.—Port Huron District, $97.95. Total, $97.95.

Total to General Fund, ... $3,833.00.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—$69.00. Total, $69 00.

To Holly Springs.—East Saginaw, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $94.00.

To Special Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—Ann Arbor, Mrs. Royer, $100.00; Cass Avenue, Mrs. McVittie, $20.00. Total, $120.00.

To Peck Home.—East Saginaw, $24.00. Total, $24.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Adrian, $5.00; Birmingham, $1.00; Bay City, $1.05; Detroit: Cass Avenue, $4.00; Grace, $3.00; Haven Church,

$1.25; Woodward, $1.00; Hudson, $1.00; Northville, $1.00; Norway, $3.00; Pontiac, $1.06; Sinton, $1.00; Tecumseh, $8.30. Total, $31.66.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Flint, Court Street, $7.61. Total, $7.61.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Ann Arbor, $19.10; Birmingham, $4.00; Bay City: Madison Avenue, $78.65 (Edith Russell Room); Caro, $0.80; Detroit: Cass Avenue, $14.00; Grace, $2.00; Woodward, $4.00; Dundee, $1.00; Flint Court Street, $3.00; Garland, $0.96; Fowlerville, $0.54; Hudson, $2.05; Leesville, $4.00; Port Huron, $3.20; Tecumseh, $1.10; Tawas, $2.57 (East); West Bloomfield, $10.00; Wyandot, $2.00. Total, 152.97.

To Deaconess Work in Detroit.—Reported by Districts through vouchers. —Detroit, $2,330.43; Adrian, $126.10; Saginaw, $72.29; Port Huron, $25.00; Bay City, $7.00; Donations and Special Gifts, $274.96. Total, $2,835.78.

To Special Fund, Cash Receipts,	$ 336.24.	
Disbursed through Deaconess Work,	1,835.78.	
Total to Special Fund,		$3,172.02.
To Beneficiary Fund,	94.00.	
To General Fund, Cash Receipts,	$ 676 62.	
Disbursed in Conference,	3,156.38.	
Total to General Fund,		$3,833.00.
Grand Total,		$7,099.02.

East Maine Conference.

Mrs. H. E. Frohock, Secretary. Mrs. B. C. Wentworth, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Bangor District.—Bangor, First Church, $34.25; Brewer, $5.00. Total, $39.25.

Bucksport District.—Bucksport, $22.00. Total, $22.00.

Rockland District.—Thomaston, $3.00. Total, $3.00.

Other Sources.—Conference collection, $16.00. Total, $16.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $80.25.

East Ohio Conference.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Secretary. Mrs. L. K. Arter, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Akron District.—Akron, First Church, $154.00; Circle, $3.75; Grace, $3.25; Atwater, $8.50; Bedford, $9.25; Bristolville, $11.25; Rootstown, $4.50; Tallmadge, $14.00; Warren, $35.50; Juvenile Society, $0.50. Total, $244.50.

Barnesville District.—Barnesville, $24.00; Lamira, $12.65; Simons, $5.00; Warnock, $7.50. Total, $49.15.

Cambridge District.—Berne, 14.05; Cambridge, $22.01; Cumberland, $15.12; Dexter City, $5.82; Lore City, $10.07; Macksburg, $12.95; McConnellsville, $25.95; Senecaville, $3.70; Stafford, $2.00. Total, $111.67.

Canton District.—Alliance, $27.00; Canton: First Church, $51.00; Simpson, $14.85; Damascus, $3.50; Franklin Square, $7.00; Hanoverton, $2.50; Massillon, $13.75; Salem, $19.75. Total, $139.35.

Cleveland District.—Cleveland: Asbury, $20.00; Broadway, $7.00; Central Church, $35.30; Euclid Avenue, $21.25; First Church, $36.00; Miles Park, $35.00; Scovill Avenue, $30.50; Station B, $10.00; Superior Street, $24.75; Woodland Avenue, $7.10; Geneva, First Church, $34.00; Fairmount, $3.00; Glenville, $3.25; Mayfield, $7.00; North Madison, $15.50; Painesville $26.30; Lake Erie Seminary, $13.00; Perry, $17.50; Saybrook, $5.50. Total, $351.95.

New Philadelphia District.—Coshocton, $25.25; West Lafayette, $10.20. Total, $35.45.

Steubenville District.—Martin's Ferry, $20.00; Mingo, $7.00; Salineville, $1.00; Steubenville: First Church, $21.25; Hamline, $15.00; Wellsville, $10.00. Total, $74.25.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Andover, $2.00; Conneaut, $8.75; Cortland, $27.25; Band, $0.30; Clark's Corner, $14.75; Dorset, $17.25; Greensburg, $15.00; Harbor, $3.87; Jefferson, $12.00; Kelloggsville, $4.00; Mesopotamia, $1.75; Orangeville, $4.75; Windsor, $9.10; Youngstown, Trinity, $14.00. Total, $134.77.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,141.09

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Akron, First Church, $10.00; Willoughby, $7.50. Total, $17.50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $17.50.

To Special Fund.—*To Provo.*—Alliance, $10.00; Akron, First Church, $50.00; Cambridge, $12.17; Dexter City, $5.00; Fairmount, $2.00; Randolph, $11.30; Steubenville, First Church, $5.00. Total, $95.47.

To Castle Garden.—Coshocton, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Canton, First Church, $15.00. Total, $15.00.

To Ritter Home.—Bedford, $0.44; Canton, First Church, $15.00; Cleveland, Woodland Avenue, $25.00; Cortland, $0.30; Harbor, $0.85; West Farmington, $2.50. Total, $44.09.

To King Home.—Akron, Grace, $1.00; Bedford, $1.00; Cleveland, Woodland Avenue, $35.00; Cambridge, $6.00; Canton, First Church, $65.00; Cortland, $3.10; Dexter City, $4.00; Queen Esther Circle, $1.95; Harbor, $2.95; Randolph, $5.00; Warren, $40.00. Total, $165.00.

To Stickney Memorial Home.—Salem, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

To Morristown Home.—Barnesville, $0.50; Berne, $20.00; Cortland, $0.40; Jefferson, $5.00. Total, $25.90.

To Emerson Home.—Painesville, Miss Young, $3.00. Total, $3.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Cambridge, $1.00; Cortland, $2.00. Total, $3.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Adamsville, $20.00; Akron, Second Church, $0.80; Berne, $1.00; Bristolville, $2.00; Cleveland: Central Church, $2.10; Euclid Avenue, $2.45; Scovill Avenue, $5.95; Cleveland, District Meeting, $7.67; Cambridge, $5.15; King's Daughters, $10.00 (to name a window "Cambridge King's Daughters"); Cortland, $5.10; Martin's Ferry, $1.40; Norwich, $8.00; New Matamoras, $6.20; Rural Dale, $2.00; Senecaville, $2.60; Salem, Junior League, $24.53 (to name a bed "Salem Junior League"); two little girls' collection, $2.50; Warren, $1.20. Total, $110.65.

Total to Special Fund, ... $513.11.

Grand Total, ... $1,671.70.

East Tennessee Conference.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.—Knoxville: Mowbry street, $6.00; Juvenile Band, $1.50; Morristown, $7.70. Total, $15.20.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—Wytheville, $2.00. Total, $2.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $17.20.

To Special Fund.—Knoxville, Mowbry Street, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $10.00.

Grand Total, ... $27.20.

Erie Conference.

MISS ANNA M. CUMMINGS, Secretary. MRS. F. B. BECK, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CLARION DISTRICT.—Brookville, $26.25; Band, $6.00; Clarion, $20.25; Band, $4.50; Cranberry, $2.00; Edenburg, $12.50; Band, $1.65; East Brady, $7.75; West Freedom, $12.50; Band, $6.00. Total, $99.40.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brocton, $14.00; Chautauqua, $11.75; East Springfield,

$0.85; Erie, First Church, $39.00; Forestville, $8.50; Miles Grove, $13.00; McKean, $2.00; North East, $32.50; Portland, $10.25; Ripley, $16.50; Silver Creek, $11.05; Waterford, $16.50; Westfield, $10.00. Total, $185.90.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—Franklin, $39.75; Millerstown, $27.50; Oil City: Grace, $30.35; Trinity, $26.50; Reno, $4.03; Tidioute, $21.50; Tionesta, $17.00; Titusville, $25.00. Total, $191.63.

JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Busti and Farmington, $1.70; Cattaraugus, $12.00; Irvine, $9.00; Jamestown, $48.75; Circle, $48.00; Little Valley, $5.00; Panama, $14.00; Sherman, $22.32; Warren, $23.50. Total, $184.27.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, $17.00; Center Chapel, $13.00; Conneautville, $13.10; Cooperstown, $8.00; Espyville, $13.00; Greenville, $24.75; Meadville, First Church, $24.50; State Street, $2.00; Mill Village Circle, $10.00; Union City Band, $2.00; Woodcock, $11.45. Total, $138.80.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Fredonia, $9.00; Band, $1.00; Grove City, $6.00; Henderson, $6.00; New Castle, First Church, $35.75; Epworth, $5.75; Sandy Lake, $4.00; Sheakleyville, $7.00; Stoneboro, $2.00. Total, $76.50.

OTHER SOURCES.—*To Frontier Fund.*—Conneautville, $5.58; Dicksonburg Band, $6.50. Total, $12.08.

Total to General Fund, ... $888.58.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Brookville, $9.00; Greenville, $50.00; Reynoldsville, $15.00. Total, $74.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Oil City, Trinity, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $124.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Castle Garden.*—Fredonia, $1.50; Union City: Boys' Band, $3.00. Total, $4.50.

To Indian Fund.—Pawhuska.—Clarion, $4.00; Cattaraugus, $5.00; Evansburg, $1.00; Fredonia, $1.50; Meadville, $2.00; New Castle, First Church, $7.00; Oil City, Trinity, $8.00; Reno, $0.25; Tionesta, $5.00; Union City, Boys' Band, $27.00. Total, $60.75.

To Dulce.—Jamestown, Miss Mary Siggins, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

To Stickney Home.—Cattaraugus, $5.50. Total, $5.50.

To Haven Home.—Asbury, $3.00; Busti and Farmington, $4.00; Brookville, $2.00; Clarion, $5.00; Clintonville, $2.00; Cooperstown, $1.00; Conneautville, $1.00; East Springfield, $7.00; Fredonia, $2.00; Forestville, $0.50; Greenville, $2.00; Hamlet, $1.00; Irvine, $20.00; Jamestown, $2.00; Millerstown, $11.45; New Castle, $3.00; Oil City: Grace, $2.00; Trinity, $2.50; Reynoldsville, $2.00; Sherman, $1.00; Stoneboro, $1.00; Sandy Lake, $1.00; Silver Creek, $1.00; Tidioute, $2.00; Tionesta, $5.00; Titusville, $2.00; Warren, $2.00; Waterford, $1.00; Erie Conference collection, $1.00. Total, $90.45.

To Alaska.—Millerstown, $38.00; Oil City, Grace, $1.00; Warren, $16.00. Total, $55.00.

To Bohemian Work.—Chicago.—Brookville, $10.00; Band, $1.00; Clarion, $10.00; Cattaraugus, $5.00; Warren, $5.00. Total, $31.00.

To Ritter Home.—Clarion, $27.00. Total, $27.00.

To King Home.—Asbury, $5.00; Brookville, $5.00; Belleview, $2.00; Chautauqua, $1.00; Callenburg, $4.49; Cranberry, $2.00; Clarion, $5.00; Cambridge, $3.00; Fredonia, $1.50; Jamestown, Circle, $7.00; Marionville, $1.00; Meadville, $3.00; Millerstown, $12.26; Mill Village Circle, $5.00; New Castle, $2.00; Oil City, Grace, $10.00; Panama, $3.00; Ridgway, $2.00; Rockland, $2.00; Rolfe, $1.00; Sandy Lake, $1.00; Sherman, $1.00; Silver Lake, $4.00; Tidioute, $5.00; Tionesta, $2.50; Titusville, $4.25; Woodcock, $2.00; Warren, $4.00. Total, $101.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Asbury, $1.00; Brookville, $1.00; Conneautville, $1.00; Dunmore, $2.00; East Springfield, $1.00; Erie, $4.00; Franklin, $2.00; Greenville, $3.00; Jamestown, $4.00; Meadville, $1.00; North East, $2.40; Oil City: Grace, $49.80 (to furnish room); Trinity, $100.00 (to name a room "C. V. Culver"); Reynoldsville, $2.00; Tidioute, $5.00;

Sandy Lake, $6.00; Warren: Elizabeth Dale Band, $10.00 (to name a window "Ella Cogswell"); Waterford, $3.00. Total, $198.20.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brookville, $2.00; Clarion, $3.60; Chautauqua, $4.00; Cattaraugus, $4.00; Fredonia, $2.00; Greenville, $10.00; Jamestown, $2.00; Lundy's Lane, $3.00; Little Valley, $3.00; North East, $2.00; New Castle, First Church, $3.00; Petrolia Camp, $18.00; Reynoldsville, $2.00; Tidioute, $0.90; Titusville, $2.00; Elizabeth Dale Band, $2.00. Total, $63.50.

To Deaconess Work in Buffalo.—Busti and Farmington, $2.35; Brookville, $3.00; Clarion, $5.00; Callenburg, $2.51; Cambridge, $1.00; Center Chapel, $2.00; Cooperstown, $1.00; Clintonville, $1.00; East Springfield, $2.75; Erie, First Church, $3.00; Tenth Street, $1.00; Franklin, $2.00; Greenville, $3.00; Jamestown, $1.50; Circle, $1.00; Meadville, $1.00; Millerstown, $13.90; McKean, $1.00; North Hope, $1.00; Oil City: Grace, $2.75; Trinity, $6.00; Reno, $3.00; Ripley, $6.52; Sherman, $1.00; Sandy Lake, $1.00; Tidioute, $0.75: Tionesta, $2.45; Titusville, $1.00; Westfield, $1.52; Waterford, $3.00. Total, $100.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $836.90.
Grand Total, ... $1,849.48.

Florida Conference.

MRS. D. J. GRANT, Secretary. MRS. A. R. JONES, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Fernandina, $1.75; Jacksonville: Boylan Home Circle, $5.35; Busy Bee Band, $1.26; Ebenezer, $13.21; Circle, $1.50; Simpson, $0.50; Band, $0.63; St. Augustine, $9.00; Wrightsville, $7.92; Band, $2.22. Total, $43.34.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.—Waldo, $8.00. Total, $8.00.

PALATKA DISTRICT.—Ocala, $2.00; Palatka, $0.50; York, $2.05. Total, $4.55.

OTHER SOURCES.—Cash collection, $1.23; Basket collection, $1.91. Total, $3.14.

Total to General Fund, ... $59.03.

To Special Fund.—*To Emerson Home.*—Without special credits, $14.50; Boylan Home, $1.10; Ormand collection, (by Mrs. Whetstone) $24.70. Total, $40.30.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Without special credits, $9.50. Total, $9.50.

Total to Special Fund, ... $49.80.
Grand Total, ... $108.83.

Genesee Conference.

MRS. E. B. GREEN, Secretary. MRS. E. OCUMPAUGH, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Aurora, $5.00; Buffalo: Asbury, $42.50; Blanche Hurst Band, $10.10; Delaware Avenue, $112.00; Eagle Street, $38.35; Glenwood, $35.64; Plymouth, $71.52; "Golden Links," $24.00; Richmond Avenue, $53.85; Queen Esther Band, $5.50; Riverside, $40.25; Saint Mark's, $17.00; Evans, $4.00; Tonawanda, $44.38; A friend, $1.00. Total, $505.09.

CORNING DISTRICT.—Addison, $12.00; Canisteo, $22.75; Corning, $10.55; "Helping Hands," $1.75; Hornellsville, $48.00; Nelson, $2.00. Total, $97.05.

GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, $60.00; Dansville, $12.89; Genesee, $36.25; Leroy, $17.75; South Byron, $12.55. Total, $133.44.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, $29.00; Charlotte, $2.75; Holley, $10.00; Lockport, $10.30; Middleport, $4.40. Total, $56.45.

OLEAN DISTRICT.—Angelica, $3.00; Bolivar, $8.00; Bradford, $35.50; Custer City, $1.00; Portville, $17.00; King's Daughters, $6.00; Rushford, $17.85; A friend, $1.00. Total, $89.35.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Avon, $9.00; Hemlock Lake, $4.00; Honeoye Falls, $22.50; Lima, $13.45; Livonia, $8.75; Pittsford, $12.00; Circle, $3.25; Rochester: Alexander Street, $29.00; Asbury, $91.00; Cornhill, $73.65; Band, $11.99; Epworth, $23.86; Band, $2.22; First Church, $52.50; Frank Street, $51.75; Band, $6.25; North Avenue, $16.50; Victor, $5.00; Walworth, $3.75. Total, $440.42.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,321.80.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Buffalo, Delaware Avenue, $60.00. Total, $60.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $60.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Immigrant Work.—Castle Garden.*—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $100.00; Corning, $5.00; Nunda, $1.00; *East Boston Home.*—Riverside, $5.00. Total, $111.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Buffalo, Delaware Avenue, $5.00; Corning, Helping Hands, $5.00. Total, $10.00.

To Stickney Memorial Home.—Buffalo: Richmond Avenue, $5.00; Corning, Helping Hands, $5.00; Portville, $5.00. Total, $15.00.

To Pawhuska.—Buffalo, Delaware Avenue, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

To Merristown.—Corning, $10.00; Rochester, First Church, $10.00; Rushford, $1.00. Total, $21.00.

To Ritter Home.—Rochester, First Church, $98.00. Total, $98.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Buffalo, Richmond Avenue, $6.40; Lockport, $1.00; Rochester, First Church, $17.00; Rathboneville, $1.00. Total, $25.40.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Buffalo: Asbury, $4.69; Delaware Avenue, Young Men's Association, $100.00 (to name a room "Young Men's Association, Delaware Avenue"); Delaware Avenue, Sunday School, $141.00 (to name a room "Sunshine"); Plymouth Avenue, $8.37; Riverside, $6.00; Corning, "Helping Hands," $43.20 (to furnish a room and name a window "Jessie A. Haber,"); Lima, $0.60; Middleport, $4.60; Olean, First Church, $2.00; Rochester: Alexander Street, $25.00 (to name a bed "Ward D. Montgomery"); Asbury, $12.60; King's Messengers, $20.00; Cornhill, $23.50; Band, $1.45; Epworth, $2.50; First Church, $22.48; Willing Workers, $50.00 (to name a room "John Marten"—the remaining fifty required given last year); Frank Street, $3.40; North Avenue, $22.00; Cyril Miller, $2.00. Total, $495.39.

To Buffalo Deaconess Home.—Reported by vouchers.—Buffalo: Asbury, $96.88; Blanch Hurst Band, $14.00; Delaware Avenue, $261.00; Eagle street, $26.00; Glenwood, $52.10; Plymouth, $56.00; Golden Links, $20.00; Richmond Avenue, $50.00; Riverside, $41.54; Saint Mark's, $55.00. Total, $672.52.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $1,548.31.
Grand Total, ... $2,930.11.

Holston Conference.

MRS. L. E. PRENTISS, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.—Elm Grove, $5.25; Knoxville: First Church, $33.10; Mission Circle, $13.50; Band, $5.00. Total, $56.85.

Total to General Fund, ... $56.85.

To Special Fund.—*To Ritter Home.*—Knoxville, First Church, $170.80; Circle, $46.00; Willing Workers, $11.50. Total, $228.30.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Knoxville, First Church, $4.60. Total, $4.60.

Total to Special Fund, ... $232.90.
Grand Total, ... $289.75.

Illinois Conference.

MRS. B. S. POTTER, Secretary. MRS. M. H. NEWTON, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT.—Bloomington: First

Church, $67.51; Grace, $66.20; LeRoy, $22.54; Mason City, $30.40. Total, $186.65.

CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Champaign, $29.38; Savoy, $17.90; Saybrook, $17.60; Urbana, $16.50. Total, $81.38.

DECATUR DISTRICT.—Decatur, First Church, $21.12; Lincoln, $20.60. Total, $41.72.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Appolonia, $10.75; Ashland, $10.00; Greenfield, $2.00; Jacksonville: Centenary, $19.85; Grace, $46.25; Earnest Helpers, $24.60; Providence, $9.50. Total, $122.95.

MATTOON DISTRICT.—Paris, North Arm, $9.55. Total, $9.55.

QUINCY DISTRICT.—Mendon, $3.50; Quincy, Vermont Street, $21.00. Total, $24.50.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, $12.90; Taylorville, $19.28. Total, $32.18.

WEST JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Pittsfield, $6.55. Total, $6.55.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $56.66; Mansfield, $0.50 (contingent fund). Total, $57.16.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $562.64.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Simpson Home.*—Bloomington, Grace, $20.00; Carlinville, Young Ladies' Society, $10.00; Paris, North Arm, Queen Esther Circle, $10.00. Total, $40.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $40.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Castle Garden.*—Appolonia, $2.45; Bloomington, First Church, $10.00; Carlinville, $10.00; Decatur, First Church, $10.00; Jacksonville, Grace, "Earnest Workers," $10.00; Paris, North Arm, Queen Esther Circle, $4.54; Providence, $5.00; Saybrook, $1.00; Savoy, $1.90. Total, $54.89.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Appolonia, $2.45; Bloomington, First Church, $20.00; Carlinville, $10.00; Decatur, First Church, $10.00; Jacksonville, Grace, $8.00; Lincoln, $10.00; Mason City, $5.00; Paris, North Arm, $1.37; Queen Esther Circle, $4.54; Providence, $5.00; Saybrook, $1.00; Bloomington District Auxiliary, $5.50. Total, $82.86.

To Morristown.—Bloomington, First Church, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Ritter Home.—Appolonia, $2.45; Bloomington, First Church, $10.00; Carlinville, $10.00; Decatur, First Church, $10.00; Jacksonville, Grace, $10.05; Paris, North Arm, Queen Esther Circle, $4.54; Pittsfield, $4.25; Saybrook, $1.00; Vermont, $1.00. Total, $53.29.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Appolonia, $2.45; Bloomington: First Church, $13.50; Grace, $25.00; Carlinville, $9.00; Champaign, $12.00; Decatur, First Church, $5.00; Jacksonville: Centenary, $3.00; Grace, $5.00; Providence, $5.00; Savoy, $2.35. Total, $82.30.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Appolonia, $2.45; Bloomington, First Church, $38.30 (to name a bed and window in Illinois Room); Grace, $3.87; Champaign, $34.55 (to name a bed); Carlinville, $11.00; Carrollton, $17.50; Decatur, First Church, $10.00; Jacksonville, Grace, $7.10; Mason City, $21.50 (to name a bed); Paris, $2.00; Saybrook, $1.00; Taylorville, $2.00; Vermont, $1.00. Total, $152.27.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $435.61.

Grand Total. . . . . $1,038.25.

Indiana Conference.

MRS. R. M. LIVEZEY, Secretary. MRS. LOWE CAREY, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, $6.62; Indianapolis: Blackford, $12.00; Band, $2.00; California Street, $12.50; Meridian Street, $43.00; Mooresville, $19.75. Total, $95.87.

OTHER SOURCES.—Indiana Conference offerings, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $115.87.

To Special Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Meridian Street, Mrs. Livezey, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Indianapolis: Meridian Street, $28.70; Mrs. Andrus, $1.00. Total, $29.70.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Mooresville, $6.00; Nellie Newhouse, $2.00; Ion Elslander, $2.00. Total, $10.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $44.70.
Grand Total . . . . . $160.57.

Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Secretary. MRS. JOHN HAYNES, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Ainsworth, $1.18; Burlington: First Church, $32.25; Grace, $18.38; Conesville, $4.75; Mt. Pleasant, $1.00. Total, $57.56.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Fairfield, $0.50; Keokuk: Chatham Square, $10.30; First Church, $3.90. Total, $14.70.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Keota, $4.25; Leesville, $2.25; Muscatine, $65.75; Young Ladies' Society, $12.00; Wilton Junction, $28.99; Washington, $26.00; Jennie Willing Band, $3.45. Total, $142.69.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Oskaloosa, Simpson Church, $19.75. Total, $19.75.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia, $10.75: Knoxville, $19.50; Florentine Band, $20.47; Ottumwa, First Church, $9.40. Other sources, credits not given, $23.27. Total, $83.39.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $318.09.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To King Home.*—Muscatine, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

To Kent Home.—Burlington, First Church, $5.00; Muscatine, $9.00. Total, $14.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $34.00.

To Special Fund.—*Peck Home.*—Knoxville, Florentine Band, $15.00. Total, $15.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Burlington, Mrs. Cowles, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Albia, $2.00; Burlington: First Church, $12.20; Grace, $2.00; Kellogg, $0.50; Muscatine, $4.80; Newton, $1.65; Ottumwa, First Church, $4.25; Wilton Junction, $4.00. Total, $31.40.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $47.40.
Grand Total. . . . . $399.49.

Kansas Conference.

MRS. H. B. MCBRIDE, Secretary. MRS. ELLA J. FISK, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ATCHISON DISTRICT.—Atchison, $24.75; Seneca, $3.00; Circle, $2.50; Valley Falls, $16.50; Wetmore, $14.75; Circle, $4.26. Total, $65.76.

LEAVENWORTH DISTRICT.—Baldwin, $22.25. Total, $22.25.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.—Buck's Grove, $24.25; Centralia, $10.00; Havensville, $9.50; Circle, $2.50; Manhattan, $9.50. Total, $55.75.

JUNCTION CITY DISTRICT.—Washington, $6.25. Total, $6.25.

TOPEKA DISTRICT.—North Topeka, $3.75; Topeka: First Church $17.00; Circle, $1.00. Total, $21.75.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $171.76.

To Special Fund.—*To Albuquerque.*—Baldwin, $5.00; North Topeka, $5.00; Topeka, First Church, $50.33. Total, $60.33.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Havensville, $2.85; Lowell, $3.00; Manhattan, $2.00; Wetmore, $10.00. Total, $17.85.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Atchison, $4.00; Baldwin, $8.25; Baxter Springs, $0.70; Centralia Band, $5.46; Jewels, $2.00; Manhattan, $5.00; Meriden, $2.00; Marysville, $3.00; Seneca, $7.50; Topeka, First Church, $4.00; Washington, $1.36; Conference collection, $1.20; Mrs. Wright, $1.00. Total, $45.47.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $123.65.
Grand Total. . . . . $295.41.

Kentucky Conference.

To General Fund.—Lexington District.—Lexington, Centenary, $42.50. Total, $42.50.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $42.50.

To Special Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Louisville: Mrs. Fanny Speed, $550.00; Mrs. Buckner, $1.00. Total, $551.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Louisville, Trinity Industrial School, $25.00; Wesley Chapel "Grateful Hearts" Band, $0.50; Covington, Mrs. Gibson, $2.00. Total, $27.50.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Louisville, Mrs. Fanny Speed, $120.00. Total, $120.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $698.50.
Grand Total. . . . . $741.00.

One-half of the General Fund, $21.25, was disbursed in the Conference.

Little Rock Conference.

Mrs. L. J. Johnson, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Little Rock District.—Little Rock, Wesley Chapel, $3.75; Oak Forest, Scrugg Chapel, $4.25; on life membership, $1.50. Total, $9.50.

Van Buren District.—Fayetteville, 2.75; Van Buren, $16.25. Total, $19.00.

Grand Total . . . . . $28.50.

Maine Conference.

Mrs. E. O. Thayer, Secretary. Mrs. J. Luce, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Augusta District.—Augusta, $29.70; Farmington, $11.00; Kent's Hill, $12.00; Strong, $5.00: Skowhegan, $19.99; Wilton, $7.50; Waterville, $15.00. Total, $100.19.

Lewiston District.—Bath: Beacon Street, $5.00; Wesley Chapel, $34.00; Lewiston, Hammond Street, $20.00; Park Street, $26.00; Mechanic's Falls, $11.40. Total, $96.40.

Portland District.—Biddeford, $30.00; Old Orchard, $10.00; Portland: Chestnut Street, $64.00; Young Ladies' Society, $18.00; Pine Street, $12.00; South Portland, $24.25; Saco, $25.00; South Berwick, $24.00; Woodford's, $2.50. Total, $209.75.

Other Sources.—Without special credits, $203.00; Conference Auxiliary, $5.00. Total, $208.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $614.34.

To Special Fund.—*To King Home.*—Portland, Chestnut Street, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

To East Boston Immigrants' Home.—Biddeford, $5.50; Portland, Chestnut Street, $6.00. Total, $11.50.

To Emerson Home.—Mrs. Thayer, $5.00; Portland, Chestnut Street, $25.00. Total, $30.00.

To Alaska.—Farmington, $26.00; Mrs. Beedy, $19.00; Kent's Hill, $11.00; Portland, $20.00. Total, $76.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—By Mrs. Thayer, $1.20. Total, $1.20.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bowdoinham, $2.00; Biddeford, $35.70; Kent's Hill Mission Band, $18.00; Madison, $2.10; North Anson, $2.00; Oxford, Young People's Society, $4.00; Woodford's, Clark Monument Church, $2.00 (Ruth Carey); Waterville, $2.00; Portland, Pine Street, $2.00. Total, $69.80.

Total to Special Fund, ... $208.50.
Grand Total, ... $822.84.

Michigan Conference.

MRS. W. J. ALDRICH, Secretary. MRS. J. G. PLOWMAN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ALBION DISTRICT.—Albion, $76.60; Belleview, $14.25; Circle, $11.00; Band, $3.36; Concord, $2.25; Jackson, $71.30; Kalamo, $4.41; Leslie, $3.50. Total, $186.67.

BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Manistee, $16.50. Total, $16.50.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.—Coldwater, $20.00; Girard, $5.00; White Pigeon, $20.29. Total, $45.29.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Grand Rapids: Division Street, $27.50; Second Street, $7.00; Circle, $14.00; Hastings, $43.81; Middleville, $1.15; Muskegon, $35.45. Total, $128.91.

IONIA DISTRICT.—Belding, $16.75; Carson, $20.75; Fair Plains, $27.00; Greenville, $13.00; Ionia, $32.50; Lowell, $4.75; Orange, $19.75; Portland, $36.83. Total, $171.33.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.—Kalamazoo, $79.40; Otsego, $19.83; Plainville, $47.23; Three Rivers, $8.74; Vicksburg, $13.75; West Casco, $9.75. Total, $178.70.

LANSING DISTRICT.—Alma, $22.90; Lansing, $11.25; Marion, $14.00; Ovid, $21.75; Saint John, $26.00; Vermontville, $4.75. Total, $100.65.

NILES DISTRICT.—Benton Harbor, $16.51; Crystal Spring, $5.00; Coulter Chapel, $10.50; Decatur, $2.50; Morris Chapel, $11.50; Niles, $21.19; Circle, $6.83. Total, $74.03.

Total to General Fund, ... $902.08.

To Special Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Coldwater, $2.00; Kalamazoo, $12.20; Plainville, $1.00. Total, $15.20.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Kalamazoo, $1.00; White Pigeon, $1.20; Hesperia, $1.00. Total, $3.20.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Crystal Springs, $2.00; Hartford, $2.00; Hastings, $2.00; Kalamazoo, $9.46; Mason, $2.50; Morris Chapel, $6.20; Muskegon, $2.00; Marshall, $2.00; Portland, $2.00; Three Rivers, $6.00. Total, $36.16.

To Deaconess Work in Grand Rapids.—Coldwater, $10.00 (to name a window Rev. W. I. Cogshall); Crystal Springs, $15.50; Grand Rapids, Division Street, $14.50; Ionia, $8.35; Muskegon, $20.95; Three Rivers, $5.30; Vicksburg, $5.00 (to name a window, "N. M. Steele"). Total, $79.60.

Total to Special Fund, ... $134.16.
Grand Total, ... $1,036.24.

Paid to Frontier Work in Michigan Conference, $577.46.

Minnesota Conference.

MRS. S. B. WARNER, Secretary. MRS. J. STAFFORD, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Minneapolis: First Church, $7.00; Franklin Avenue, $19.74; Hennepin Avenue, $26.00; Lake Street, $5.05; Simpson, $9.90; Young Ladies' Society, $13.42; Emma Bean Band, $9.45; Taylor Street, $11.69; Thirteenth Avenue, $11.38; Twenty-Fourth Street, Young Ladies' Society, $3.90. Total, $117.53.

SAINT PAUL DISTRICT.—Duluth, $3 00; Saint Paul, Oxford, $6.30. Total, $9.30.

Total to General Fund, ... $126.83.

To Special Fund.—*To Immigrant Work.—Castle Garden.*— Minneapolis, Franklin Street, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Minneapolis, Franklin Avenue, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

To Haven Home.—Minneapolis, Lake Street, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Minneapolis: Franklin Avenue, $4.70; Hennepin Avenue, $10.30; Taylor Street, $2.00. Total, $17.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Merriam Park, $1.50; Minneapolis: Franklin Avenue, $10.00; Hennepin Avenue, Band, $55.11; Simpson Church, Emma Bean Band, $1.59; Ethel Taylor, $2.00; Edith Marshall, $2.00; Etta Allen, $2.00; A friend, $1.00. Total, $75.20.

Total to Special Fund, ... $147.20.
Grand Total, ... $274.03.

Missouri Conference.

MRS. E. S. JANES, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—Hannibal, $4.50; Moberly, $5.46. Total, $9.96.

KIRKSVILLE DISTRICT.—Kirksville, $4.11. Total, $4.11.

MARYVILLE DISTRICT.—Maryville, $6.00; Juvenile Society, $4.75. Total, $10.75.

SAINT JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Cameron, $4.80. Total, $4.80.

Total to General Fund, ... $29.62.

To Special Fund.—*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Maryville, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fairport, $3.00; Maryville, Jewel Gatherers, $25.00; Odessa, $2.00. Total, $30.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $35.00.
Grand Total, ... $64.62.

NOTE.—Maryville Jewel Gatherers in last year's report had credit in St. Louis Conference for $20.20—It should have been Missouri Conference, $25.40. The Conference gleanings should have been $25.45 instead of $19.00. The mistake was in giving St. Louis Conference, instead of Missouri, this credit.

TREASURER.

Nebraska Conference.

MRS. J. R. WOODCOCK, Secretary. MRS. L. A. ROBERTS, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BEATRICE DISTRICT.—Adams, $13.50; Beatrice, $19.25; Fairbury, $15.50; Band, $1.41; Fairmount, $11.60; Circle, $3.75; La Salle, $9.00. Total, $74.01.

HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Centre, $6.75; Edgar, $21.75; Hastings, $6.00; Juniata, $11.00. Total, $45.50.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Ashland, $7.75; Callahan, $9.00; Circle, $4.00; Greenwood, $2.25; Lincoln: Saint Paul, $11.50; Trinity, $12.00; University Place, $3.85; Palmyra, $9.00; Valparaiso, $8.00; Wahoo, $12.20; Circle, $2.81; Weeping Water, $14.00. Total, $96.36.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.—Nebraska City, $3.75; Table Rock, $9.00; Tecumseh, $3.25. Total, $16.00.

YORK DISTRICT.—Arborville, $3.00; Aurora, $6.50; Osceola, $6.00; Rising City, $7.75; Seward, $11.75; Surprise, $3.50; Ulysses, $6.75; Circle, $0.89; York, $29.00. Total, $75.14.

Total to General Fund, ... $307.01.

To Special Fund.—*To Ritter Home.*—Fairbury, Mrs. Woodcock, $5.00 to name a window "Rev. J. C. H. Hobbs"). Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Ashland, $1.00; Crab Orchard, $1.00; Valparaiso, $3.40. Total, $5.40.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Through Conference Treasurer.—Adams, $10.00; Arborville, $2.00; Beatrice, $20.00; Bennett, $2.00; Blue Hill, $4.00: Clay

Centre, $40.28; Dubois, $5.00; Dwight, $2.00; Doniphan, $4.00; Edgar, $3.30; Fairmount, $39.00; Greenwood, $10.00; Grafton, $2.00; Juniata, $2.00; La Salle, $12.00; Lincoln: St. Paul, $17.00; Grace, $12.00; Trinity, $4.00; University Place, $6.00; Osceola, $6.00; Table Rock, $5.10; Red Cloud, $16.00; Rising City, $14.00; Rulo, $8.00; Stromsburg, $4.00; Surprise, $2.00; Salem, $2.00; Sutton, $2.00; Seward, $2.00; Syracuse, $4.00; Ulysses, $4.00; Wahoo, $16.60; Weeping Water, $4.00. Total, $286.28.

To Special Collection taken in the interest of the Home.—By Mrs. Warner.—Aurora, $1.00; Ashland, $51.25; Adams, $73.38; Belvidere, $13.50; Benedict, $2.80; Blue Hill, $40.83; Blue Springs, $32.95; Brainard, $36.60; Carleton, $71.40; Crab Orchard, $32.00; Crete, $22.60; Davenport, $108.80; David City, $3.10; DeWitt, $31.80; Edgar, $9.50; Ellison, $22.30; Fairbury, $154.41; Fairfield, $21.21; Filley, $28.65; Geneva, $11.85; Gresham, $5.05; Harvard, $35.10; Humboldt, $92.67; Ithaca Circuit, $79.43; Juniata, $53.65; Liberty $21.65; Lincoln, Emanuel, $11.34; Odell, $32.01; Ohiowa, $51.68; Shelton, $8.00; Steele City, $41.00; Syracuse, $100.00; Tecumseh, $69.54; Western, $10.88. Total, $1,381.93.

Total to Special Fund. . . . . $1,678.61.
Grand Total, ... $1,985.62.

Newark Conference.

MRS. J. I. BOSWELL, Secretary. MISS R. B. HAM, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ELIZABETH DISTRICT.—Cranford, $44.10; Circle, $10.55; Plainfield, $73.83; Circle, $16.79; Rahway, Second Street, $13.00; Westfield, $46.96; Circle, $7.50. Total, $212.73.

JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Jersey City, West Side, $20.01; Nyack, $15.75; Dr. Wise, $5.00. Total, $40.76.

NEWARK DISTRICT.—Bloomfield, $18.45; East Orange, Calvary, $67.39; Madison, $1.00; Montclair, $66.55; Mount Tabor, $45.00; Morristown, $67.85; Newark: Centenary, $7.25; Central, $44.00; DeGroot, $6.55; Halsey Street, $64.00; Saint Luke's, $44.56; Union Street, $9.00; Orange, First Church, $22.77; Roseville, $73.00; Springfield, $18.00. Total, $554.37.

PATERSON DISTRICT.—Paterson: Cross Street, $20.00; Market Street, $87.21; Succasunna, $22.50. Total, $129.71.

OTHER SOURCES.—Newark Conference, $162.00. Total, $162.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,099.57.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Mayfield, Young Ladies' Society, $45.00. Total, $45.00.

To Boylan Home.—Morristown, $24.75; Newark: Central Church, $11.25; Halsey Street, $22.50; Union Street, $22.50. Total, $81.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $126.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Albuquerque Home.*—Bloomfield, $20.00; Montclair, $10; Mount Tabor, Mr. R. Grant, $100.00; Newark: Halsey Street, $6.00; Miss Freeland, $4.00; Plainfield Circle, $75.30; Roseville, $20.00. Total, $235.30.

To Pawhuska.—Cranford, $36.15 (to name a window "Edmund H. Redfern"); Circle, $4.55; Newark: Halsey, $30.00; Saint Luke, $17.61; Plainfield, $70.73; Paterson, Cross Street, $10.00. Total, $169.04.

To Navajoes.—Cranford, $2.00; Newark, St. Luke, $10.00 (to name a window "Mrs. R. Steele"); East Orange, Calvary, $92.66; Rahway, Second Church, $5.00. Total, $109.66.

To Ocala.—Emerson Home.—Miss Hedges, collection, $7.50. Total, $7.50.

To Castle Garden.—Madison, $5.00. Total. $5.00.

To Italian Work, New York City.—Morristown, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Jersey City: West Side, $10.00; Mrs. Beach, $1.00. Total, $11.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Arlington, $4.00; Bound Brook, $2.00; Cokesburg, $2.00; Gladstone, $2.00; Hackettstown, $2.00; Hibernia, $2.00; Montclair, $2.00; Newark: Halsey Street, $4.00; Mrs. Geddes, $2.00; Miss Ethel Smith, $2.00. Total, $28.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $575.40.
Grand Total, ... $1,800.97.

New England Conference.

MRS. A. E. DWIGHT, Secretary. MRS. L. R. THAYER, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BOSTON DISTRICT.—Boston: Appleton, $10.48; Bromfield Street, $22.78; Dorchester, Mattapan, $36.50; Eggleston Square, $12.00; Jamaica Plain, $18.50; People's Church, $31.00; Roslindale, $34.00; Saint John's, $21.50; Stanton Avenue, $3.00; Temple Street, $45.00; Tremont Street, $75.00; Winthrop Street, $37.00; Hyde Park, $32.52; Natick, $4.00; Newton Centre, $17.00; Newtonville, $5.00; Oxford, $10.00; Southbridge, $10.00; Webster, $3.00; Worcester Union, $31.00. Total, $459.28.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT.—Ayer, $5.00; Boston, Trinity, $25.00; Cambridge: Grace, $20.00; Harvard, $22.00; Cambridge, (East), $32.00; Clinton, $43.03; Fitchburg, $10.00; Hudson, $10.25; Lowell: Central, $20.00; Saint Paul, $23.00; Marlborough, $8.00; Somerville: Broadway, $5.00; First Church, $28.00; Flint, $8.00; Waltham, $25.00; Watertown, Golden Rule Band, $13.75; Winchester, $9.00; Woburn, $8.00. Total, $315.03.

LYNN DISTRICT.—Beverly, $10.25; Chelsea, Walnut Street, $18.00; Essex, $5.00; Everett, $20.00; Gloucester: Prospect Street, $23.00; Band, $0.63; Ipswich, $13.00; Lynn: Common Street, $71.00; South Street, $32.00; Malden, $100.00; Marblehead, $8.00; Melrose, $45.50; Peabody, $21.18; Salem, Wesley Chapel, $18.00; Stoneham, Mission Helpers, $1.50; Winthrop, $13.00; Susan B. Holway, $1.00. Total, $401.06.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Amherst, $10.25; Chickopee, $2.00; Chickopee Falls, $200.00 (Bequest of a lady of that place); Holyoke, $2.50; Band, $2.50; Lowell Park Camp Ground, $17.00; Merrick, $2.75; Springfield Union, $71.00; Wilbraham, $18.30; Westfield, $17.00. Total, $343.30.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference gatherings without credit, $101.35.
Total, $101.35.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,620.02.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To E. L. Rust Home.*—Everett, $10.00; Chelsea, Walnut Street, $20.00; Lynn, South Street, $15.00; Winchester Band, $40.00.
Total, $85.00.

To Haven Home.—Malden, Miss Waite, $60.00; Mrs. J. F. Durell, $30.00; People's Church, $5.00. Total, $95.00.

To Thayer Home.—Malden, $100.00; Mrs. Dr. Ladd, $80.00; Mrs. G. T. Cox, $50.00. Total, $230.00.

To Peck Home.—Chickopee Band, $5.25; Wilbraham, $10.00.
Total, $15.25.

To Boylan Home.—Malden, eight ladies, five dollars each, $40.00.
Total, $40.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $465.25.

To Special Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Lynn, Common, $12.50.
Total, $12.50.

To Navajoes.—Springfield Union, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Stickney Home.—Cambridge, Grace, $5.00; Melrose 0.00.
Total, $15.00.

To Morristown.—Melrose, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Utah.—Hyde Park, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To King Home.—Malden, Mrs. Geo. P. Cox, $100.00; Somerville, First Church, $15.25; Springfield Union, $61.27; Westfield, $30.52. Total, $207.04.

To Ritter Home.—Dennis, $21.00. Total, $21.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Boston: Bromfield Street, $10.12; Eggleston Square, $5.20; Collection taken in People's Church, at "The Centennial of the Establishment of Methodism in New England by Jesse Lee," $44.25; Tremont Church, $25.00; Trinity Jewel Gatherers, $30.00; Cambridge, Grace, $3.00; Miss M. L. Hawes, $100.00 (no special credit); Chelsea, Bellingham Street, $7.65; Chester, $1.00; Fitchburg, Mr. and Mrs. Nevitt, $25.00; Miss Chapman, $2.00; Gloucester, Prospect Street, $1.00; Hudson, $5.00; Hyde Park, $5.00; Malden, $5.00; Marlborough, $20.00; Oxford, $2.00; Smithbridge, $12.25; Somerville: First Church, $20.00; Park Avenue, $4.00; Watertown, Golden Rule Band, $5.00. Total, $332.47.

To Unga.—Boston, Trinity, $6.52. Total, $6.52.

To Albuquerque—Chester, Madison Street Band, $4.00. Total, $4.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Boston, Dorchester, $11.00; Saint John's, $6.00; Tremont Street, $3.27; Winthrop Street $23.82; Chatham, $1.00; Essex, $0.90; Everett, $3.00; Lowell, $5.00; Milton, $2.00; Oxford, $1.00; Springfield Union, $1.00; Stoneham, $5.00; Somerville, First Church, $6.60; Mrs. Armstrong, $5.00; Winchester, $3.00; Warren, $1.00; Mrs. L. A. Banks, $6.00; Mrs. Mansfield, $10.00 (to name a window, in memoriam, "Mrs. Arnold Olmstead"). Total, $94.59.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Boston, Bromfield Street, $0.10; People's Church, $4.00; Tremont Street, $12.77; Winthrop Street, $6.50; Cambridge, Grace, $1.30; Chatham, $3.00; Clinton, $4.00; Chester Jewel Workers, $6.00; Eastham, $1.00; East Saugus, $3.95; Gloucester, Prospect Street, $1.50; Hyde Park, $2.70; Hudson, $3.00; Holyoke, $3.50; Jamaica Plain, $20.00; Lynn: Boston Street, $29.00; Common Street, $20.40; South Street, $2.00; Malden, Pearl Gatherers, $1.00; Melrose, $3.40; Somerville: Park Avenue, $13.70; Webster, $3.00; Worcester Union, $2.00; Wilbraham Band, $8.00. Total $155.82.

To Immigrant's Home, East Boston. — Boston, Temple Street, $20.00; Jamaica Plain, $20.00; Clinton, $4.26; Newtonville, $5.74. Total, $50.00.

To money raised by special subscription and credits not given, $1,620.90.

Total to Immigrants' Home, $1,670.90.

Total to Special Fund, ... $2,539.84.

Grand Total, ... $4,625.11.

New England Southern Conference.

MRS. D. L. BROWN, Secretary. MISS MARY A. DURFEE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT.—Chatham Band, $2.00; Cottage City, $19.00; Fair Haven, $9.00; Band, $1.00; Fall River, $23.00; Middleboro, "Willing Helpers," $41.50; New Bedford, County Street, $31.00; Plymouth, $19.00; Mite Boxes, $8.71; "May Flowers," $8.40; Taunton, First Church, $15.00; Grace, $6.50; Yarmouth Camp Meeting, $12.00. Total, $196.11.

NORWICH DISTRICT.—Danielsonville, $6.00; East Glastonbury, $16.00; New London "Cheerful Givers" $6.70; Niantic, $28.00; Norwich, Central Church, $16.00; East Main Street, $6.00; Circle, $8.50; South Manchester, $47.00; Queen Esther Circle, $6.00; Stafford Springs, $24.00; Willimantic, $19.80; Camp Meeting, $19.00. Total, $203.00.

PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.—Arnold's Mills, $8.20; Bristol, $29.00; Brocton, Campello Church, $27.00; East Weymouth, Center Church, $20.00; Newport, First Church, $30.00; Pawtucket, Thompson Church, $14.00; Phoenix, $1.00; Providence, $198.00; Stoughton, First Church, $18.25. Total, $345.45.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $82.50; From various sources without special credits, $527.09. Total, $609.59.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,354.15.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Browning Home.*—Brocton, Campello Church, $50.00; Fair Haven, $5.00; Band, $40.00; Fall River Union, $22.50; First

Church, Young Ladies' Society, $45.00; Saint Paul, $22.50; Middleboro "Willing Workers," $12.50; South Manchester, Queen Esther Circle, $22.39; Newport, First Church, $40.00; New Bedford, County Street, $45.00; Providence, $16.00; Stoughton, $22.50; Taunton: First Church Circle, $10.00; Yarmouth Camp, King's Daughters, $40.00; J. D. Flint, $30.00.
Total, $423.39.

To Kent Home.—Emma Janes, Hyde Park, $15.00. Total, $15.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $438.39.

To Special Fund.— *To Browning Home.*—Bristol, $50.00; Burnside, $14.00; Cottage City, $55.88; East Glastonbury, $7.50; Fall River Union, $20.00; New London "Cheerful Givers, $6.62; Norwich, East Main Street, $2.01; Providence, $50.00; South Manchester, $10.00; Queen Esther Circle, $21.00; Taunton, Grace Church, $10 00; Mrs. Brown, $1.00; Rent of land, $55.00; Camden School, $300.00. Total, $603.01.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Bristol, $12.50; Brocton, $25.00; East Weymouth, Center Church, $1.50; Fall River Union, $4.00; Middleboro, "Willing Workers," $10.00; New Bedford, County Street, $1.00; Newport, First Church, $1.50; Phoenix, $4.00; Taunton, Grace Church, $2.00; Terryville, $8.00; Mrs. Mather, $5.00; Mrs. Severus, $1.00. Total, $75.50.

To Ritter Home.—Bristol, $1.50; East Weymouth, Center Church, $1.50; Fair Haven, $4 00; Middleboro, Willing Workers, $5.00; New Bedford, County Street, $2.00; Newport, $1.50; New London Cheerful Givers, $6.63; Providence, $5.00; South Manchester, $10.00; Taunton: First Church, Circle, $3.00; Grace, $5.00; Willimantic Camp, $3.00; A friend, $1.87. Total, $50.00.

To Bohemian Work.—South Manchester, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—East Weymouth, $3.00; Fall River Union, $1.00; Fair Haven, $3.00; Niantic, $1.00; Norwich, Central, $1.00; East Main, $1.00; New Bedford, County Street, $1.00; Providence, $5.00; Mrs. Brown, $11.00; Tribute fund, donated by Mrs. M. L. Case, $31.25.
Total, $58.25.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brocton, $2.00; Bristol, $2.00; Bryantville, $2.00; Buzzard's Bay, $2.00; East Weymouth, $2.00; Fall River Union, $18.00; Mystic Bridge, $2.00; New London, Cheerful Givers, $1.30; Norwich, East Main Street, $2.00; Providence: Hope Street, $2.00; Trinity, Matthewson and Chestnut Street Collection, $12.00; Mrs. Brown, $2.00; Pawtucket, $4.00; Rockland, $2.00; $1.60 without a special credit. Total, $56.90.

To East Boston Immigrant's Home.—Fair Haven, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $853.66.

Grand Total, ... $2,646.25.

New Hampshire Conference.

MRS. A. T. WELLS, Secretary. MRS. J. D. FOLSOM, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CONCORD DISTRICT.—Manchester, Saint Paul, $27.00; Mrs. Knox, $2.00; Mrs. Hayes, $1.00; Mrs. Dr. G. W. Miller, $20.00; Tilton, $5.00. Total, $55.00.

DOVER DISTRICT.—Dover, $15.00; Epping, $2.00; Haverhill: Grace Church, $77.75; Wesley, $30.00; Lawrence, First Church, $44.00; Salem Depot, $10.00; Salisbury, $9.00. Total, $187.75.

CLAREMONT DISTRICT.—Antrim, Young Ladies' Society, $1.20; Claremont collection, $2.64; Band, $5.00; Union Camp Meeting, $2.00; Mite Boxes, $1.30; Franklin Falls, $1.04; Keene, $16.00. Total, $29.18.

OTHER SOURCES.—Hedding Camp Meeting, $2.00; Mrs. Tyler, $1.00; New Hampshire Conference collection, $43.00. Total, $46.00.

For Frontier Work.—Haverhill, Mrs. Dr. Chase, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

For French Work in the Conference.—Amesbury, $3.00; Claremont, $3.50; Haverhill: Grace, $3.00; Wesley Chapel, $3.00; Lawrence, First Church,

$2.00; Manchester, Saint James, $2.00; South New Market, $2.60; Salisbury, $2.00; Arthur Howard's "Bank," $1.00. Total, $22.10.

Total to General Fund, ... $440.03.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Boylan Home.*—Antrim, $10.00; Franklin Falls, $11.00; Haverhill, Grace, $45.00; Conference Mite Boxes, $10.00. Total, $76.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $76.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Boylan Home.*—Franklin Falls "Willing Workers," $4.75. Total, $4.75.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Haverhill, Wesley, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Stickney Home.—Mrs. Wells, $5 00. Total, $5.00.

To Emerson Memorial Home.—A friend, $100.00; (to name a room "New Hampshire"); Arthur B. Howard's "Bank" $3.00; Claremont, $1.00 Claremont Union Camp Meeting, $3.07; Chesterfield, $2.00; Enfield, $2.00 Epping Camp Meeting, $5.00; Franklin Falls, Mrs. Kelley, $3.00; Grantham $2.50; Hedding Camp Meeting, $34.78; Keene, $4.50; Manchester, Mrs. Trickey, $5.00; N. Grantham, $2.50; N. Charleston, Mrs. Tyrrell, $2.00; Salem, Mrs. White, $5.00; Sunapee, Mrs. Smith, $5.00; South New Market, $3.33; Tilton, Mrs. Dennis, $5.00; West Unity, $3.00; Various Charges, $28.75. Total, $220.43.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—A friend, $100.00 (to name a room "New Hampshire"); Grantham, $1.00; Lancaster, $1.00; Manchester, $1.00; Newport, $1.00; Salisbury, $2.00. Total, $106.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Hedding Camp Meeting, $39.53; Salisbury, $6.00. Total, $45.53.

Total to Special Fund, ... $386.71.

Grand Total, ... $902.74.

New Jersey Conference.

MRS. C. F. GARRISON, Secretary. MRS. N. L. CAMINADE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BRIDGETON DISTRICT.—Bridgeton: Commerce Street, $5.00; Central, $59.00; Trinity, $6.50; Millville, Trinity, $46.85; Band, $4.00; Salem, Broadway, $31.75; Vineland, $32.50. Total, $185.60.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, $5.84; Camden: Centenary, $38.25; Broadway, Circle, $37.84; Band, $0.20; Third Street, $72.65; Haddonfield, $22.50. Total, 177.28.

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.—Cranbury, $15.15; Ocean Grove: Saint Paul, $48.00; Seaside Band, $4.25; Ocean Park Band, $10.10; Red Bank, Grace, $12.00; Ocean Grove anniversary, $212.94. Total, $302.44.

TRENTON DISTRICT.—Bethel, $18.47; Burlington: Union Street, $5.00; "Orie" Band, $8.00; Crosswicks, $11.00; Princeton, $20.75; Trenton: Green Street, $94.75; State Street, $40.00. Total, $197.97.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $863.29.

To Special Fund.—*To Nooksachk.*—Cranbury, $2.00; Ocean Grove, Seaside Band, $10.00; Ocean Park, Band, $5.00; Trenton: Green Street, $10.00; State Street, $10.00. Total, $37.00.

To Albuquerque.—Camden, Tabernacle, $37.55; Trenton, Green Street, $4.00; Seabright, $2.00; Mrs. DePau, $2.00. Total, $45.55.

To Morristown.—Bethel, $2.00; Bridgeton, Central Church, $5.00; Camden, Centenary, $20.00; Ocean Grove, St. Paul, $10.00; Ocean Park, $20.00; Seabright, $2.50; Trenton, Green Street, $100.00; Vineland, $60.00; collection by Mrs. Griffith, $5.00. Total, $224.50.

To Emerson Memorial Home.—Ocean Grove, Saint Paul, $15.00; Seaside Band, $10.00; Seabright, 5.00; Trenton: Green Street, $5.00; State Street, $5.00. Total, $40.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Cranbury, $5.00; Bradley Beach,

$10.00; Mrs. V. J. Mellett, $10.00; Mrs. Fisk, $1.75; Ocean Grove, St. Paul, $10.00; Ocean Park, Band, $5.00; Princeton, $18.00; Trenton, Green Street, $25.00. Total, $84.75.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bridgeton: Central, $2.00; Commerce, $4.00; Camden, Broadway Circle, $8.00; Cranbury, $4.00; Millville, Second Church, $2.00; Ocean Grove, Saint Paul, $16.00; Seaside Band, $1.00; Ocean Park, $0.40; Pennington Seminary, $2.00; Pittman Grove, $8.00; Trenton: State Street, $2.00; Trinity, $0.60; New Jersey Conference collection, $6.00; Lizzie Caminade, $2.00. Total, $58.00.

To Italian Work in New York City.—Cranbury, $4.00; Ocean Grove, St. Paul Church, $10.00; Ocean Park, Band, $3.00; Seabright, $1.00. Total, $18.00.

Total to Special Fund. . . . . $507.80.
Grand Total. . . . . $1,371.09.

New York Conference.

Miss M. Van Marter, Secretary. Mrs. O. S. Mendenhall, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—New York District.—Carmel, $14.50; Young Ladies' Circle, $5.75; Katonah, $11.00; New York: Asbury, $26.00; Bedford Street Young Ladies' Circle, $12.00; Calvary, $44.66; Eighteenth Street, $56.40; Young Ladies' Circle, $4.50; Jane Street, $18.00; Park Avenue, $41.50; Saint Andrews, $36.00; Saint James, $18.00; Saint Luke's, $48.30; Saint Mark's, $10.00; Saint Paul's, $19.50; Twenty-fourth Street, $13.66; Washington Square, $112.00; Tarrytown, Saint Paul, $19.50; White Plains, $20.00; Yonkers, First Church, $25.84; a friend, $1.50. Total, $558.61.

Poughkeepsie District.—Copake, Rev. E. B. Pierce, $12.00; Poughkeepsie: Cannon Street, $37.00; Hedding Street, $2.40; Washington Street, $29.11. Total, $80.51.

Newburg District.—Chester, $16.00; Liberty, $15.00; Marlborough, $13.00. Total, $44.00.

Kingston District.—Catskill, $12.00; Coxsackie, $51.00; Kingston: Clinton Avenue, $17.00; Saint James, $35.27; Rondout, $31.75. Total, $147.02.

Other Sources.—Conference gatherings, $219.40 (without special credits); credits from lodgers and gifts of visitors, $467.60. Total, $687.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $1,517.14.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Bedford Street, Circle, $38.50. Total, $38.50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $38.50.

To Special Fund.—*To Immigrant Work in New York City.*—Saint Andrews, $109.50; Mrs. O. E. Stokes, $5.00; Mrs. C. P. Stokes, $5.00; Mrs. S. Hamilton, $5.00; Mrs. M. J. Mason, $5.00; Mrs. F. A. Allen, $1.50; Miss Helena Ide, $5.00; Mrs. L. N. Hegerman, $5.00; Mrs. E. J. Abbott, $5.00; Bessie E. Locke, $5 00; through the Christian Advocate, $45.00; Mrs. James Wood, $20.00; Mrs. M. L. Keith, $20.00; Miss Emily Chadwick, $20.00; Washington Square, $150.00. Total, $406.00.

To Italian Work in New York City.—Received and disbursed in the city. Chester Band, $26.30; Kingston: Clinton Avenue, $4.00; Saint James, $22.08; New York: Jane Street, $10.00; Saint Luke's, $5.75; Park Avenue, $26.00; Circle, $50.00; Tarrytown, Asbury Church, $10.00; Washington Square, $82.14; sale of work box, $5.15; through Miss Ruddy, $10.25. Total, $251.67.

To Temperance Work.—New York, Mr. J. C. Wilson, $187.00. Total, $187.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—New York: Mr. J. C. Wilson, $200.00; Mrs. Ackerman, $5.00; Park Avenue, $1.00; Saint Andrews, $6.00; Saint Luke's, $1.00; Washington Square, $8.00; from friends, $5.00. Total, $226.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—New York: Saint Andrews, $10.00 (to name a window "George Strobridge"); Mrs. White's Mission, $5.00; White Plains, $24.00. Total, $39.00.

Total to Special Fund. . . . . $1,109.67.
Grand Total. . . . . $2,665.31.

New York East Conference.

MRS. J. Q. MAYNARD, Secretary. MRS. G. E. SECOR, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Amityville, $5.30; Baldwin's, $1.00; Bay Ridge, $1.00; Bay Shore, $3.00; Bellmore, $1.00; Bridgehampton, $1.00; Brooklyn: Andrews Church, $5.00; Bushwick Avenue, $30.89; DeKalb, Young Ladies' Society, $6.87; Embury, $4.00; Fleet Street, $27.00; Grace, $32.50; Hanson Place, Auxiliary and Band, $66.00; Young Ladies' Society, $5.50; Janes, $10.00; Nostrand Avenue, $64.00; Russell Place, $4.00; Saint Paul, $2.00; Sixth Avenue, $3.00; Sumner Avenue, $22.20; Wesley Chapel, $1.00; Williams Avenue, $2.00; Elmont, $5.00; Islip, $10.00; Jamaica, $25.92; Lawrence, $3.00; Parkville, $4.00; Patchogue, $16.00; Southampton, $1.00; Springfield, $5.00; Windsor Terrace, $1.00; Woodsburg, $1.00; Danish Mission, $2.00; Swedish Mission, $5.00; Dover, N. J., $1.00; New York, $1.00; Fennimore Street, $2.00. Total, $381.18.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Brooklyn: Cedar Street, $1.00; Cook Street, $2.00; Francis Church, $2.00; Leonard Street, $2.00; Powers Street, $2.00; Saint John's, $10.00; South Second Street, $10.50; Band, $15.00; King's Daughters, $9.00; Summerfield, Mrs. Frost, $28.00; Cold Spring, $1.00; Commack, $1.00; Centreport, $2.00; Cutchogue, $5.00; Greenport, $10.00 Huntington, $5.00; Jericho, $1.00; Lake Grove Circuit, $2.00; Mattituck, $1.00; New York: Eleventh Street, $2.00; Forsyth, $5.00; Madison Street, $2.00; Seventh Street, $7.00; Northport, $5.00; Roslyn, $2.00; Smithtown Circuit, $1.00; Southold, $1.00; Sea Cliff, $5.00; Woodbury, $1.00. Total, $140.50.

NEW YORK EAST DISTRICT.—Bridgeport: First Church, $21.00; Washington Park, $16.00; Danbury, $1.00; Georgetown, Christian Endeavor, $5.00; Greenwich, $2.00; King Street, $2.00; New Milford, $5.00; New Rochelle, $2.00; New York: Cornell Memorial, $5.00; Seventeenth Street, $5.00; Sixty-first, $5.00; Twenty-seventh, $2.00; Thirty-seventh Street, $12.00; Ridgefield, $2.00; Stepney, $1.00; West Goshen, $1.00; Woodstock, $1.00; Westport, $1.00. Total, $89.00.

NEW HAVEN DISTRICT.—Ansonia, $2.00; Bristol, $10.00; Cheshire, $1.00; Forestville, $5.00; Higganum, $2.00; Middlefield, $1.00; Middletown, $36.00; Milford, $1.00; New Haven: Summerfield, $1.00; Howard Avenue, $1.00; Thomaston, $2.00; Westville, $2.00; Woodbury, $2.00; Yalesville, $1.00. Total, $67.00.

To Working Girls' Club.—Hanson Place, $242.44; Young Ladies' Society, $110.00; Nostrand Avenue, $298.82; Inasmuch Circle, King's Daughters, $75.00; Summerfield Church, through Mrs. Frost, $181.60; Epworth League, $78.06; Janes, $141.04; Sumner Avenue, $108.86; Grace, $95.00; Fleet Street, $66.75; South Second Street Mission Band, $25.00; DeKalb Avenue Young Ladies' Society, $64.01; Adelphi Circle, King's Daughters, $34.55; donation from Judge Doring, $21.70; donation from Missionary, $40.00; Mrs. Bradley, Willing Workers, $30.00; Bedford Club, $26.52; Mrs. Burgess, of Eighteenth Street, $5.00; Mrs. John Truslow, $5.00; Simpson Church, through Mrs. Foster, $44.16. Total, $1,693.51.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $2,371.19.

To Special Fund.—*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Middletown, $40.00. Total, $40.00.

To Emerson Home.—Brooklyn, Summerfield Church, Mrs. Frost, $7.00. Total, $7.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Brooklyn: DeKalb Young Ladies' Society, $1.00; Hanson Place, $5.00; Nostrand Avenue, $1.00; Sumner Avenue, $1.00 Total, $8.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Amityville, $13.70; Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, $12.90; Hanson Place, $2.00; Nostrand Avenue, $4.00; South Second Street Band, $14.60; Bay Shore, $8.00; Glen Head, $2.00; Hempstead, Mrs. Norris, $50.00; Middletown, $14.00; Patchogue, $2.00. Total, $123.20.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $178.20.
Grand Total . . . . . $2,549.39.

North Indiana Conference.

MRS. L. A. GERNHART, Secretary. MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—FORT WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, $29.60; Decatur, $25.00; Fremont, $3.75. Total, $58.35.

GOSHEN DISTRICT.—Elkhart, Trinity, $24.80; Goshen, $42.20; Leesburg, $21.50; Milford, $13.75; Mishawaka, $16.75; Nappanee, $13.50; Orland, $8.79; Wolcottville, $6.70. Total, $147.99.

MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, $15.15; Hartford City, $16.00; Muncie, $8.00; Red Key, $15.75; Band, $5.30; Winchester, $8.35. Total, $68.55.

RICHMOND DISTRICT.—College Corner, $11.24; Economy, $9.60; Knightstown, $16.13; Middletown, $14.27; New Castle, $8.50; Richmond: First Church, $31.00; Grace, $12.00. Total, $102.14.

WARSAW DISTRICT.—LaFontaine, $9.05; Pleasant Lake, $3.00; Plum Tree, $5.00; South Whitley, $1.74; Wabash, $42.65; Special Gift, $7.16; Warsaw, $12.63; Cook's Chapel, $19.00. Total, $100.23.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $5.00; bequest of Mrs. Jane M. Swisher, of Warren Co., Ind., $199.68. Total, $204.68.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $681.94.

To Special Fund.—*Castle Garden.*—Alexandria, $11.00; College Corner, $2.50; Hagerstown, $8.23; Knightstown, $1.50; LaFontaine, $1.50; Milford, $1.50; Middletown, $1.50; Mishawaka, $8.25; Muncie, High Street, $1.40; Nappanee, $2.00; New Castle, $25.50. Total, $64.88.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Goshen, $21.00 (from sale of Mrs. Dr. Beyerle's Girls of Greystone), to name a window, *in memoriam*, "Sister Sarah." Total, $21.00.

To Ritter Home.—Mishawaka, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Hartford City, $3.00; Mishawaka, $5.00; Wolcottville, $2.00. Total, $10.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—College Corner, $0.10; Knightstown, $4.00; New Castle, $5.20; Red Key, Band, $0.40; Wabash, Band, $3.20. Total, $12.90.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $113.78.
Grand Total. . . . . $795.72.

North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. H. A. CRANE, Secretary. MRS. A. HODGETTS, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ELKHORN VALLEY DISTRICT.—Neligh Band, $3.80; Oakdale, $1.00. Total, $4.80.

GRAND ISLAND DISTRICT.—Albion, $12.35; Central City, $6.50; Columbus, $2.25; Saint Paul, $1.00. Total, $22.10.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.—Beemer, $12.75; Dakota City, $26.25; Band, $2.00; Humphrey, $1.00; Leigh, $2.25; Norfolk, $19.00; Wayne, $11.50; Wilson, $6.50. Total, $81.25.

OMAHA DISTRICT.—Blair, $11.50; Fremont, $29.25; Omaha: Hanscom Park, $10.50; Seward Street, $16.50; Band, $0.90; South Tenth Street, $12.00; Trinity, $22.59; Band, $1.75. Total, $104.99.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $213.14.

To Special Fund.—*To Bohemian Work in Chicago.*—Omaha, Trinity, $4.00; Vacoma, $1.00. Total, $5.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Albion, $19.25; Arizona, $1.00; Beemer, $13.05; Blair, $20.00; Clarks, $2.00; Columbus, $31.10; Central City, $17.60; Craig, $32.00; Dakota City, $14.80; Fremont, $45.10; Leigh and Wilson, $10.60; Norfolk, $10.00; Oakland, $2.00; Omaha: Seward Street, $62.98; South Tenth Street, $81.90; Trinity, $17.00; Platte Center, $0.50; Pender, $2.00; Richland, $10.00; Saint Paul, $8.00; Scribner, $2.00; Tekamah, $25.25; Wayne, $13.00. Total, $441.13.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $446.13.
Grand Total. . . . . $659.27.

North Ohio Conference.

MRS. W. F. KELLER, Secretary. MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Berea, $18.50; Brooklyn, $25.00; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $77.00; Lucy Hayes Band, $5.30; Jennings Avenue, $20.00; Band, $4.50; Taylor Street, $31.25; Dover, $2.00; New London, $23.60; Rockport, $10.00; Wellington, $68.65; Circle, $3.00. Total, $288.80.

GALION DISTRICT.—Crestline, $20.00; Mount Gilead, $28.50. Total, $48.50.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT.—Ashland, $30.00; Huntington, $9.00; Hayesville, $6.00; Loudonville, $19.00; Mansfield, $34.50; Circle, $8.00; Ontario, $3.40; Pavonia, $23.75; Perryville, Band, $9.49; Plymouth, $17.50; Band, $4.21. Total, $164.85.

MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT.—Bloomfield, Clarks, $28.00; Democracy, $1.00; Fredericktown, $13.00; Gambier, Hopewell, $15.85; Kilbuck Band, $0.96; Levering, $3.05; Mount Vernon: First Church, $45.15; Union, $20.00; Roscoe, $16.25; Utica, $17.50. Total, $160.76.

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, $8.25; Norwalk, $88.30 (this includes Mrs. Doud's donation); Sandusky, Trinity Church, $19.00; Tiffin, $27.00. Total, $142.55.

WOOSTER DISTRICT.—Canaan, $11.00; Fredericksburg, $13.50; Millersburg Circle, $1.00; Smithville, $6.00; Spencer, $1.00; Wooster, $39.00 (Miss Stitt's bequest); interest, $15.75. Total, $87.25.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $892.71.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Logan.*—Oberlin, $55.00. Total, $55.00.
To E. L. Rust Home.—Mansfield, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $65.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Mount Vernon, $30.00. Total, $30.00.

To Indian Fund.—*To Ponca.*—Mt. Vernon, First Church, $10.00; *To Pawhuska.*—Ashland, $15.00; Bellevue, $15.84; Cleveland, Jennings Avenue, $10.00; Loudonville, $5.00; Ontario, $1.00; Pavonia, $3.00; Tiffin, $15.00; *To Siletz Indians.*—Mansfield, $15.00. Total, $89.84.

To Utah.—Bellevue, $7.50; Cleveland, Jennings Avenue, $10.00. Total, $17.50.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Penfield, $4.00. Total, $4.00.

To Asheville.—Cleveland, Franklin Avenue, Lucy Hayes Band, $6.00. Total, $6.00.

To Ritter Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $32.17; Jennings Avenue, $20.00; Mansfield, $90.00; Mustard Seed Band, $10.00; Wellington, $25.00; Mission Helpers, $25.00; Mr. E. J. Foster, $10.00. Total, $212.17.

To King Home.—Wooster, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home and Training School.—Ashland, $5.40; Clarks, $1.00; Cleveland, Franklin Avenue, $7.90; Gambier, $0.45; Mansfield, $20.80; Mount Vernon: First Church, $10.10; Union Church, $1.55; Norwalk,

$2.00; Plymouth, $21.00; Pavonia, $2.45; Sandusky, $6.00; Tiffin, $10.40; Wellington, $4.00; Wooster, $9.00; West Carlisle, $1.60; Mrs. Hoyt, $3.00. Total, $106.65.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $5.20; Taylor Street, $0.60; Mansfield, $1.90; Mount Vernon: First Church, $4.10; Union Chapel, $5.00; Norwalk, $2.00; Perryville, $4.23; Plymouth, $2.00; Rockport, $10.00; Wellington, $2.00; West Carlisle, $3.60. Total, $40.63.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $531.79.
Grand Total . . . . . $1,489.50.

The "Lucy Hayes" Band, of Franklin Avenue, Cleveland, donated to Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund $20.00 last year. By mistake credit was given to "Logan," Utah.

Northern New York Conference.

MRS. H. D. FERGUSON, Secretary. MRS. H. B. MCCOMBER, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—OSWEGO DISTRICT.—Camden, $12.00; Dempster Grove, $12.00; Fulton, $68.25; Circle, $23.36; Band, $5.34; Hannibal, $7.85; Oswego: First Church, $12.77; Circle, $4.50; Trinity, $20.70; Circle, $4.83; Pulaski, Circle, $9.50; Sandy Creek, $4.00. Total, $185.10.

SAINT LAWRENCE DISTRICT.—Bangor, $1.00; Massena, $2.00; Potsdam, $25.00; South Canton and Pierpont, $1.00. Total, $29.00.

UTICA DISTRICT.—Clinton, $6.91; Knoxborough, $1.00; Madison, $17.75; Rome: First Church, $50.50; Young Ladies' Society, $9.50; Utica: First Church, $35.77; South Street, $75.00; Circle, $9.40; Westerville, $9.00; Vernon, $22.00; Circle, $1.00. Total, $237.83.

WATERTOWN DISTRICT.—Black River, $14.50; Carthage, $14.50; DeKalb, $1.00; Edwards and Fine, $1.00; Gouverneur, $27.75; Heuvelton, $1.00; Philadelphia, $4.00; Springville and Somerville, $1.00; Watertown, Arsenal Street, $37.00. Total, $101.75.

ADAMS DISTRICT.—Adams, $11.00; Chaumont, $1.00; Copenhagen, $12.00; Henderson, $1.00; Lowville, $16.00; Watertown, State Street, $43.75; Queen Esther Circle, $2.14; Band, $2.67. Total, $89.56.

HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Cedar Lake, $3.00; Frankfort, $23.25; Herkimer, $10.00; Ilion, $39.75; Saint Johnsville, $6.00. Total, $82.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $725.24.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Peck Home.*—Fulton, $40.00. Total, $40.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $40.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Indian Fund.*—*To Pawhuska.*—Ilion, $5.65. *To Stickney Home.*—Fulton, $20.00; Watertown, State Street, $12.00. Total, $37.65.

To Spencer Home.—Turin, a friend, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Fulton, $5.00; Oswego, Trinity, Mrs. Lizzie A. Clark, $100.00 (to name a room "Jason Clark"). Total, $105.00.

To Ritter Home.—Watertown, State Street, Queen Esther Circle, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To King Home.—Pulaski, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Haven Home.—Three Mile Bay, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Immigrant Work in New York City.—Dempster Grove, $11.00. Total, $11.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Camden, $1.00; Dempster Grove, $4.00; Gouverneur, $4.00; Heuvelton, $1.00; Ilion, $1.00; Lowville, $1.00; Madison, $1.00; Oneida, $1.00; Pulaski, $1.00; Rome, First Church, $1.00; Sackett's Harbor, $1.00; Saint Johnsville, $2.00; Utica, First Church, $1.00; Circle, $1.00; Whitesboro, $1.00; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $12.00; State Street, $17.00; Mrs. Pamelia Felt, $50.00. Total, $101.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Boswell, $2.00; Camden, Mabel Guile, $2.05;

Carthage, $0.50; Felt's Mills, $2.00; Frankfort, $24.00; Forest Port, $4.00; Fulton, $43.50 (to name a room); Gouverneur, $2.00; Hannibal, $2.00; Ilion, $10.00 (to name a window "Aidine Squire"); Madison, $5.00; Oswego: First Church, Golden Hour Circle, $37.00 (to furnish a room); Trinity, $32.05 (to name a bed); Rome, First Church, $12.00; Utica: First Church, $2.00; South Street, $10.00; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $11.00; State Street, $16.00; Band, $4.50; Westerville, $0.47. Total, $222.07.

To Deaconess Work.—Rome, First Church, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $526.72.
Grand Total . . . . . $1,291.96.

North-west Indiana Conference.

To General Fund.—Crawfordsville District.—Crawfordsville Circuit, $1.00; Danville, $25.50; Ladoga, $2.00; Pittsborough, $0.50; Shawnee Mound, $31.55. Total, $60.55.

Greencastle District.—Terre Haute, Centenary, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

LaFayette District.—LaFayette, Trinity, $54.50. Total, $54.50.

LaPorte District.—Michigan City, $21.85; South Bend, First Church, $35.25; Walkerton, $0.60. Total, $57.70.

Valparaiso District.—Crown Point, $17.28; Medaryville, $1.00; Monticello, $19.80. Total, $38.08.

Other Sources.—Conference collection, $11.00. Total, $11.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $221.83.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To E. L. Rust Home.*—Crown Point, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $25.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—LaFayette, Trinity, "Willing Workers," $12.00. Total, $12.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—South Bend, First Church, $18.75. Total, $18.75.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Crown Point, $22.00; Danville, $50.00 (to balance on Emma Wood room); South Bend, First Church, $10.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $112.75.
Grand Total . . . . . $359.58.

North-west Iowa Conference.

Mrs. J. P. Negus, Secretary. Mrs. J. B. Shessler, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Algona District.—Algona, $18.35; Band, $16.80; Britt, $7.75; Burt, $14.50; Clear Lake, $16.25; Ellis Circle, $1.70; Luverne, $13.10. Total, $88.45.

Fort Dodge District.—Alta, $4.50; Fort Dodge, $26.50; Circle, $2.50; Galva, $20.71; Jewell, $7.50; Lohrville, $18.00; Band, $1.00; Manson, $26.50; Twin Lake, $15.00; Pomeroy, $6.45; Rockwell City, $12.75; Sac City, $3.26; Storm Lake, $24.40; Circle, $3.70; Wall Lake, $9.25. Total, $182.02.

Sheldon District.—Ellington, $2.25; Hartley, $8.00; Ireton, Centre Chapel, $16.96; Marathon, $9.95; Plover, $11.25; Rock Rapids, $33.75; Sanborn, $11.25; Band, $5.00; Sibley, $10.00; Spencer, $5.00. Total, $113.41.

Sioux City District.—Aurelia, $8.00; Ida Grove, $8.75; LeMars, $24.25; Sergeant Bluffs, $1.00; Circle, $1.65; Band, $1.75; Sloan, $7.25; Salix, $6.50; Saline, $6.00; Sioux City: First Church, $35.50; Band, $1.27; Haddock Memorial, $9.15; Queen Esther Circle, $14.55; Band, $0.60. Total, $126.22.

Other Sources.—Mrs. Eddy, $1.00; Rev. and Mrs. L. Jarvis, $2.00; Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Green, $2.00; Mrs. Cole, $1.00; Mrs. Wheeler, $1.00. Total, $7.00.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $517.10.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home, (to Annie Erickson).*—Sioux City, First Church Mission Band, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

To Peck Home.—Fort Dodge, $8.50; Sioux City, $6.00; a Layman, $8.00. Total, $22 50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $72.50.

To Special Fund.—*To Spencer Home.*—Algona, $39.47; Alta, $2.60; Burt, $5.00; Bancroft, $14.00; Clear Lake, $3.00; Early, $9.31; Fort Dodge, $7.00; Galva, $13.34; Grant City, $12.88; Ireton, $18.00; Ida Grove, $8.00; Inwood, $25.45; "Willing Workers," $12.94; Jewell, $2.00; Luverne, $1.00; Manson, $4.10; Milford, $10.00; Plover, $14.00; Pomeroy, $4.09; Rock Rapids, $10.00; Radcliffe, $7.00; Sac City, $9.52; Sioux City: First Church, $52.00; Haddock Memorial, $19.60; Sibley, $5.30; Storm Lake, $10.00; Sanborn, $11.00; Spencer, $10.00; Twin Lake, $0.61; Wall Lake, $13.55; Mrs. Whitfield, $5.00; Mrs. Cheeney, $1.00; Gusta Trepenning, $3.00. Total, $363.76.

To Nooksachk.—From a Layman of Sheldon District, $100.00; Mrs. Taubman, $20.00. Total, $120.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—To Frances Negus Room.—Alta, $20.00 (to name four windows); Ellis, $1.50; Galva, $5.00; Linwood "Loyal Legion," $2.65; "Adels School House, $1.50; Marathon, $12.10; Plover, $2.65; Sanborn, $5.00 (to name a window "Sanborn, Iowa,"); Sioux City, First Church, $5.00; Mrs. L. H. Trimble, $1.50; Mrs. C. E. Trimble, $1.50. Total, $58.40.

To Speedwell Mission, Haven Home.—Grant City, $3.60. Total, $3.60.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Marathon, $3.85. Total, $3.85.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Algona, $3.80; Mothers' gifts of Jewels, $7.48; Alta, $4.00; Bancroft, $4.00; Dickens, $2.00; Early, $8.00; Fort Dodge, $6.00; Grant City, $2.00; Hartley, $2.00; Ida Grove "Mustard Seeds," $8.00; Ireton, Centre Church, $2.00; Jewell, $2.00; Manson, $4.00; Plover, $8.00; Radcliffe, $2.00; Sac City, $26.41; Sibley, $6.00; Sergeant Bluffs, $1.70; Sioux City: Haddock Memorial, $18.30; First Church, $3.30; Storm Lake, $1.80; Spencer, $2.00. Total, $124.79.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $674.40.

Grand Total . . . . . $1,264.00.

North-west Kansas Conference.

MRS. W. J. MEREDITH, Secretary. MRS. CYNTHIA A. SEE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—From Auxiliaries without special credits, $30.75; from Conference, $21.00. Total, $51.75.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $51.75.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Without special credits, $32.00. Total, $32.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $32.00.

Grand Total, ... $83.75.

Twenty-five dollars were disbursed in the Conference.

Ohio Conference.

MISS ANNA DILL, Secretary. MRS. J. H. GUGLE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.—Adelphi, $19.00; Circle, $2.72; Chillicothe, Walnut Street, $34.00; Band, $1.95; Concord, $8.25; Estelle Chapel, $2.00; Frankfort, $40.70; Locust Grove, $6.00; New Holland, $22.75; State Mills, $13.00; Staunton, $2.25; Washington C. H., $20.50. Total, $173.12.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Columbus: Broad Street, $24.00; Third Avenue, $61.30; Circle, $10.00; Neil Chapel, $14.50; Town Street, $31.00; Wesley Chapel, $21.50; Young Ladies' Society, $34.00. Total, $196.30.

GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Gallipolis, $31.25; Jackson, $12.50; Millers, $2.00; Racine, $10.00; Thurman, $3.00; Wellston, $1.00. Total, $59.75.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, $37.00; Lancaster, $23.25; Logan, $18.72; Circle, $6.41; South Bloomfield, $3.00. Total, $88.38.

LONDON DISTRICT.—Delaware: Saint Paul, $35.95; Circle, $8.00; Harrisburg, $10.75; London, $10.00; Plain City, $2.00; Stratford, $15.00; Washington C. H., $16.80. Total, $98.50.

MARIETTA DISTRICT.—Athens, $8.65; Chester Hall, $1.00; Marietta, $25.60; Nelsonville, $9.75. Total, $45.00.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.—Ironton, $34.00; Band, $1.00; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $68.00; Sixth Street, $1.00; Webster Circuit, $10.00. Total, $114.00.

ZANESVILLE DISTRICT.—Malta, $29.00; Newark, $21.25; Band, $3.65; Zanesville: Maxahala Avenue, $2.00; Second Street, $31.00. Total, $86.90.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference offerings, $39.59; Ohio Camp Meeting, $18.75. Total, $58.34.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $920.29.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Columbus, Wesley Chapel Young Ladies' Society, $40.00; Portsmouth, Bigelow Band, $23.29. Total, $63.29.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $63.29.

To Special Fund.—*To Utah.*—Columbus, Wesley Chapel, $20.00; Jackson, $9.00. Total, $29.00.

To Castle Garden.—Circleville, $10.00: Ironton, $20.00; Young Ladies' Society, $20.00. Total, $50.00.

To Nooksachk.—Stickney Home.—Columbus, Wesley Chapel Young Ladies' Society, $50.00 (to name a room "Jessie E. Banes"); Malta, $5.75; Mrs. Johnson, $5.00 (to name a window "Rilla Piper Johnson"). Total, $60.75.

To Albuquerque.—Gallipolis, $20.00; Newark, $13.75; Zanesville, Second Street, $40.00. Total, $73.75.

To Dulce.—Lancaster, $17.76. Total, $17.76.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Athens, $15.00; Columbus: Broad Street, $22.00; Third Avenue, $4.50; Concord, $40.00; Delaware, Saint Paul, $30.00; Ironton, $20.00; Locust Grove, $20.00; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $99.10; Band, $10.00. Total, $260.00.

To King Home.—Columbus, Third Avenue, $26.10; Rev. Benjamin Green, $100.00. Total, $126.10.

To Immigrants' Home.—East Boston.—State Mills, $1.35. Total, $1.35.

To Ritter Home.—Delaware: Saint Paul, $15.00; Dr. Bashford, $10.00; Dr. Merrick, $10.00; Malta, Mrs. Johnson, $5.00. Total, $40.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Athens, $5.00; Columbus: Broad Street, $11.00; Third Avenue, $25.00; Town Street, $6.00; Wesley Chapel, $25.00; Chillicothe, Walnut Street, $131.00; Delaware, Saint Paul, $38.49; Ironton, $4.00; Jackson, $1.00; Logan, $7.50; Portsmouth, $10.00; Washington C. H., $5.00. Total, $268.99.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Columbus, Third Avenue Juvenile Band, $103.60 (to name a room "Mothers' Jewels, of Third Avenue, Columbus"); Concord, $1.40; Ironton, $107.00 (to name a room "George A. Norton"); Lancaster, $14.50; Malta, Brown Manly Plow Co., $7.25; Marietta, $30.20; Portsmouth, Bigelow, $11.00; Webster Circuit, $1.05. Total, $276.00.

Total to Special Fund. . . . . $1,204.30.

Grand Total . . . . . $2,187.88.

The contributions sent last year to Santa Fe have been transferred at request of donors as follows: Ironton, $40.00 to Nooksachk; Coolville Camp Meeting, $22.00 to Alaska; Lancaster Camp, $7.70, and Logan, $10.00 to Alaska.

Oregon Conference.

MRS. H. P. WEBB, Secretary. MRS. S. H. SPANGLER, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Through Treasurer without special credits, $21.98. Total, $21.98.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $21.98.

To Special Fund.—*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Portland: Taylor Street, $100.00; through Mrs. Harrington without special credits, $115.00; Mrs. Mary E. Bushong, $100.00. Total, $315.00.

To Siletz Indians.—Oregon Conference without special credits, and reported by voucher, $225.00. Total, $225.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—East Portland, Bees, and Jewels Band, $34.00. Total, $34.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $574.00.
Grand Total. . . . . $595.98.

Philadelphia Conference.

MRS. C. W. BICKLEY, Secretary. MRS. ANNA M. CLARK, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Frankford, $59.00; Fifth Street, $26.00; Summerfield, $33.45. Total, $118.45.

NORTH-WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT. — Philadelphia: Germantown, Haines Street, $4.00; Saint Stephens, $24.00; Grace, $83.00; Park Avenue, $55.00; Tabernacle, $28.30; Tioga, $25.20; Trinity, $30.00; Pottsville, $29.05; Reading: Ebenezer, $10.00; Saint Peters, $13.75. Total, $302.30.

WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Bryn Mawr, Saint Luke's, $15.00; Radnor, $6.50; Philadelphia: Christ Church, $74.00; Green Street, $52.00; Nineteenth Street, $32.00; Spring Garden, $106.00. Total, $285.50.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Chester: Madison Street, $31.00; Trinity, $31.03; Philadelphia: Arch Street, $82.00; Ebenezer, $16.83; Saint Paul, $25.00; Wharton Street, $48.20. Total, $234.06.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $940.31.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Germantown: Haines Street, $40.00; Circle, $10.00. Total, $50.00.

To Simpson Home.—Arch Street, Young Ladies' Society, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $70.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Stickney Home.*—Philadelphia, Green Street, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Pawhuska.—Philadelphia, Grace, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Pawnee.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $10.00; Fifth Street, $3.00; Green Street, $3.00; Trinity, $10.00; Chester, Madison Street, $10.00. Total, $36.00.

To Simpson Home.—Philadelphia, Grace, $6.39. Total, $6.39.

To Morristown.—Dr. Wheeler, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Albuquerque.—Philadelphia, Grace, $7.00. Total, $7.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Chester, Madison Street, $18.45; Philadelphia: Arch Street, $39.00; Young Ladies' Society, $75.00; Green Street, $1.00; Prospect Park Band, $25.00; Summerfield, $5.00; Wharton Street, $10.00; Siloam Band, $5.00. Total, $178.45.

To Mothers' Jewels Fund.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $8.20; Cumberland Street, Gleaners, $1.50; Ebenezer, $14.00; East Allegheny, $24.95; Fifth Street, $37.00; Green Street, $2.00; Grace, $9.90; Haines Street Circle, $2.80; Prospect Park Band, $64.10 ($54.10 to Leonard Armstrong, $10.00 to name a window "John M. Hunter"); Wharton Street, $26.20; Summerfield, $2.00; Lillie and Charles Wentzell, $4.00. Total, $196.65.

To Local and Deaconess Work.—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Cumberland Street, $21.00; East Allegheny Avenue, Circle, $5.00; Band, $4.20; East Montgomery Avenue, $4.50; Frankford, $42.50; Fifth Street, $55.38; "Red Ribbon" Band, $10.00; Port Richmond, $7.00; Siloam Band, $25.00; Summerfield, $18.80. Total, $193.38.

NORTH-WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Germantown, Haines Street, $23.83; Circle, $7.23; Grace, $180.00; Matthew Simpson Band, $104.00; Humphries Band, $11.11; Park Avenue, $12.10; Tabernacle, $58.89; Trinity,

$203.90; Pottsville, $10.00; Reading, Ebenezer, $2.00; St. Stephens, $5.00; Tioga, $4.15; Young Ladies' Society, $15.40. Total, $637.61.

West Philadelphia District.—Bryn Mawr, $5.00; Philadelphia: Christ Church, $159.10; Green Street, $8.00; Nineteenth Street, $10.00; Band, $2.50; Spring Garden, $464.79. Total, $649.39.

South Philadelphia District.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $179.08; Young Ladies' Band, $12.00; Bethany Circle, $14.00; Chester, Madison Street, $12.00; Young Ladies' Circle, $30.17; Trinity, $6.34; Ebenezer, $5.00; Prospect Park Band, $33.00. Total, $291.59.

Other Sources.—$88.00 without special credits; also $548.25 outside of auxiliaries and bands. Total, $636.25.

Total to Deaconess Work and disbursed in the Conference, $2,408.22.

Total to Special Fund. . . . . $2,852.71.
Grand Total . . . . . $3,863.02.

Pittsburg Conference.

Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Secretary. Miss A. R. Ingram, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Allegheny District.—Allegheny: North Avenue, $143.86; Mission Circle, $18.50; Union, $26.00; Beaver, $109.85; New Brighton Young Ladies' Society, $29.03; Sewickly, $46.75. Total, $373.99.

Blairsville District.—Blairsville, $27.00; Circle, $7.50; Indiana, $48.25; Verona, $2.35. Total, $85.10.

McKeesport District.—McKeesport, $14.50; Scottdale, $11.78; Uniontown, $4.00; Wakefield Chapel, $18.30. Total, $48.58.

Pittsburg District.—Pittsburg: Butler Street, $61.00; Centenary, $13.50; Christ Church, $42.00; Crofton, $19.50; Little Gleaners, $22.25; Emory, $30.50; Fifth Avenue, $10.89; Oakland Church, $23.54; Smithfield Street, $42.00; "Little Gleaners," $12.46; South Street, $24.00; Wilkinsburg, $26.55. Total, $328.19.

To Coke Regions in the Conference.—New Brighton, $10.00; Pittsburg: Butler Street, $5.00; Christ Church, $45.00; Crofton, $3.25; North Avenue, $30.77; Trinity, $1.00; Wilkinsburg, $1.00; Wakefield Chapel, $5.00; Thank Offering, $15.04; through Conference Treasurer, $35.00; drawn from contingent fund, $19.59. Total, $170.65.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $1,006.51.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Morristown Home.*—Verona, $12.00. Total, $12.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $12.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Stickney Home.*—Pittsburg: Butler Street, $20.00; Emory, $10.00; Wakefield Chapel, $10.00. Total, $40.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Pittsburg, Butler Street, $200.00; Valley Camp, $100.00; Wilkinsburg, $6.00. Total, $306.00.

To Immigrant Work in New York.—(*Italian Work.*)—Oakland, Mrs. Vankirk's Sunday School Class, $16.20; Pittsburg, Butler Street, $5.00. Total, $21.20.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Verona, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Blairsville, $2.00; Pittsburg: Butler Street, $10.00; North Avenue, $2.70; King's Daughters, $25.00; Union, $3.80; Sewickley, $3.82; Verona, $2.00; children of the Coke Regions, $3.81; Miss Cameron, $1.19. Total, $54.32.

To Deaconess Work in Pittsburg.—*To Furniture for Home.*—Blairsville, $10.00; Pittsburg: Butler Street, $478.00; Christ's Church, $179.00; Emory, King's Sons, $117.20; North Avenue, $62.45; Smithfield Street, $202.00; Little Gleaners, $25.00; Union, $37.38. Total, $1,111.03.

To Support of Home.—Beaver, $10.00; New Brighton, $25.00; Pittsburgh: Butler Street, $65.00; Emory, $279.00; North Avenue, $62.50; Smithfield

Street, $15.00; Scottdale, $10.00; Mrs. Dawson, $5.00; Union, $33.00; Wilkinsburg, $23.53. Total, $528.03.

Total to Deaconess Work, ... $1,639.06.

This sum, $1,639.06, was disbursed in the Conference.

Total to Special Fund, ... $2,061.58.
Grand Total, ... $3,080.09.

Puget Sound Conference.

MRS. M. J. MAHAFFIE, Secretary. ———— Treasurer.

To Special Fund.—*To Stickney Home.*—Puget Sound Conference through the Secretary, without credits, $122.00. Total, $122.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Puyallup, Rosa Dudley, $2.00. Total, $2.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $124.00.

Rock River Conference.

MRS. E. E. MARCY, Secretary. MRS. L. DYCHE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—AURORA DISTRICT.—Aurora: First Church, $18.00; Galena Street, $6.50; Batavia, $12.00; Leon, $9.00; Plano, $63.30; Princeton, $31.50; Warren, $8.75; Wheaton, $31.35. Total, $180.40.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Chicago: Oakland, $51.84; South Park Avenue, $30.00; Western Avenue, $48.00; Evanston: First Church, $151.81; Wheaton Chapel, $16.46; Hemenway, $23.06; Lake Bluff, $9.00; Oak Park, $38.58; Rogers Park, $19.75; Waukegan, $18.25. Total, $406.75.

DIXON DISTRICT.—Rock Falls, $44.28; Sterling, $5.45. Total, $49.75.

FREEPORT DISTRICT.—Freeport: Embury, $11.75; First Church, $43.46. Total, $55.21.

JOLIET DISTRICT.—Crete, $4.00; Joliet: Ottawa Street, $74.20; Morris, $13.88. Total, $92.08.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Elgin: First Church, $36.00; Grace, $20.89; Rockford Union, $96.61. Total, 153.50.

Total to Districts, ... $937.69.

To Bohemian Work in Chicago.—Bohemian Second Church, $53.00; Chicago: Centenary, $105.00; Grace, $10.00; Halsted Street, $5.00; Western Avenue, $51.00; Winter Street, $5.00; Mrs. Carpenter, $4.00; Mrs. Buckley, $10.00; Mrs. Bates, $5.00; Mrs. Hauslick, $5.00; Crete, $1.50; Desplaines collection, $35.36; Elgin: First Church, $25.00; Grace, $0.25; Evanston: First Church, $704.86; South Evanston: Hemenway, $54.89; Wheaton Chapel, $10.00; Freeport: First Church, $8.20; Embury, $17.21; Joliet collection, $12.60; Lake Bluff, $18.38; Morris, $3.85; Normal Park, $4.24; Oakland, $15.00; Oak Park, $65.50; Plano, $5.00; Rogers Park, $31.28; Rockford Union, $9.50; Sterling, $5.00; Waukegan, $5.00; Julia Gilbert, $5.00; donations within Conference, $140.20; donations outside of Conference, $288.91; dime letters, $20.00; contingent fund, $10.00; interest, $82.25; *To Bohemian Missions.*—Special Gift.—South Evanston, Hemenway, $40.50. Total, $1,872.48.

Total to General Fund, ... $2,810.17.

This sum, $2,810.17, was disbursed in the Conference in the interest of the Bohemian Work.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Thayer Home.*—Evanston: Mrs. Farwell, $40.00; Young Ladies' Society, $40.00; Wheaton Chapel, $20.00. Total, $100.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $100.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—South Evanston, Hemenway, $5.00; Total, $5.00.

To Ritter Home.—Batavia, Mrs. Gammon, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

To Kent Home.—Batavia, Mrs. Gammon, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Morristown.—Kenwood Evangelical Church, $100.00. Total, $100.00.
To Las Vegas.—Dixon, $4.00. Total, $4.00.
To Alaska.—Batavia, Mrs. Gammon, $50.00; Evanston, First Church, $25.00; Chicago, $0.50. Total, $75.50.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Evanston, $11.00; Elgin, First Church, $3.50; Princeton, $10.00; Mrs. Gammon, $4.00; Miss Willard, $1.00. Total, $29.50.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Elgin, Mrs. Leach, $4.00; Oak Park, $2.30; Mary, Ralph and Marjorie Curts, $2.50; Jessie Cochran, $2.00. Total, $10.80.
Total to Special Fund, ... $254.80.
Grand Total, ... $3,264.97.
The money raised by this Conference was not sent to the Treasurer, but was reported by statements and vouchers.

Saint Louis Conference.

MRS. WILLIAM JONES, Secretary. MRS. F. S. BEGGS, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CARTHAGE DISTRICT.—Carthage, $3.25; Lamar, $4.00; Pierce City, $5.00. Total, $12.25.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Independence, Delaware Street, $8.25; Kansas City, Dundee Place, $9.32. Total, $17.57.
LEBANON DISTRICT.—Marshfield, $7.40. Total, $7.40.
SAINT LOUIS DISTRICT.—St. Louis Union, $17.50; Goode Avenue, $1.00; Water Tower, $3.00. Total, $21.50.
SEDALIA DISTRICT.—Sedalia, $18.50. Total, $18.50.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Springfield, Benton Avenue, $15.00; Band, $5.45; Reports, $0.30; Daily Memorial, $2.75; Grace, $11.45; West Plains, $3.00. Total, $37.95.
OTHER SOURCES.—Gatherings of Conference belonging to auxiliaries, but no special credit given, $29.00; East St. Louis Conference Auxiliary, $3.25. Total, $32.25.
Total to General Fund, ... $147.42.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Avilla, Maple Grove Class, $18.00 (to name a bed); Cuba, $2.00; Pierce City, $0.60; Springfield, Benton Avenue, $13.30; Grace, $1.40; Thank offering, $15.07. Total, $50.37.
Total to Special Fund, ... $50.37.
Grand Total, ... $197.79.

Southern California Conference.

MRS. B. P. MCKOON, Secretary. MRS. J. W. VAN CLEVE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—Florence, $7.75; Los Angeles: Boyle Heights, $23.00; Fort Street, $31.49; Simpson, $15.75; Circle, $9.75; Vincent, $8.90. Total, $96.64.
PASADENA DISTRICT.—Alhambra, $12.00; Glendora, $19.00; Monrovia, $36.50; Pasadena, First Church, $48.00; South Pasadena, $1.00. Total, $116.50.
SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Ontario, $36.35; Riverside, $35.50; San Bernardino, $23.00. Total, $94.85.
SANTA BARBARA DISTRICT.—Hueneme, 5.00; Lompoc, $4.25; Santa Barbara, Grace, $29.00; San Diego, $19.00. Total, $57.25.
Total to General Fund, ... $365.24.

To Special Fund.—*To Alaska.*—Santa Barbara, $25.00. Total, $25.00.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Alhambra, $2.00; Los Angeles, First Church, $10.00; University Church, $2.00. Total, $14.00.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Alhambra, $0.30; Monrovia, $4.60; Santa Anna, $1.39; San Diego, $3.00. Total, $9.29.
Total to Special Fund, ... $48.29.
Grand Total, ... $413.53.

Southern Illinois Conference.

To General Fund.—ALTON DISTRICT.—Jerseyville, $4.90. Total, $4.90.
LEBANON DISTRICT.—Lebanon, $2.08. Total, $2.08.

Total to General Fund, ... $6.98.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Belle River, $11.62 (to name a bed). Total, $11.62.

Total to Special Fund, ... $11.62.
Grand Total, ... $18.60.

South Kansas Conference.

MRS. M. V. ROBBINS, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia: First Church, $43.59; Grace, $8.00; Virgil, $3.25. Total, $54.84.
OTHER SOURCES.—By credits without special names of auxiliaries, $31.51; Collection at Conference, held in Girard, $21.43; Donation from workers to make Mrs. M. V. Robbins a life member, $20.00. Total, $72.94.

Total to General Fund, ... $127.78.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Chetopa, $14.45; Emporia, $2.00; Fort Scott, $10.20; Girard, $2.00. Total, $28.65.

Total to Special Fund, ... $28.65.
Grand Total, ... $156.43.

South-east Indiana Conference.

MRS. A. V. P. ADAMS, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CONNERSVILLE DISTRICT.—Brookville, $22.19; College Corner, $10.00; Connersville, $67.00; Band, $14.60; Maplewood, Wesley Chapel, $10.30. Total, $124.09.
INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Franklin, $14.75; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $33.83; East Seventh Street, $18.75; Edwin Ray, $12.35; Hall Place, $23.25; North Indianapolis, $12.89; Roberts Park, $48.00; Shelbyville, $50.21. Total, $214.03.
MOORE'S HILL DISTRICT.—Greensburg, First Church, $29.75; Lawrenceburg, $29.00; Vevay, $9.75. Total, $68.50.
OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collection, $12.00. Total, $12.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $418.62.

To Special Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Indianapolis, Central Avenue, $5.00. Total, $5.00.
To Stickney Home.—Shelbyville, $5.00. Total, $5.00.
To Bohemian Work.—Vevay, $5.00. Total, $5.00.
To Asheville.—Greensburg, First Church, $32.00. Total, $32.00.
To King Home.—Connersville, $15.00; North Indianapolis, $7.25; Shelbyville, $40.00. Total, $62.25.
To Ritter Home.—Indianapolis: Hall Place, $10.00 (to name a door in Athens Home "Hall Place"); Roberts Park, $30.00 (this was solicited by Mrs. Prettyman to name four windows); Maplewood, Wesley Chapel, $12.00; Shelbyville Band, $5.00. Total, $57.00.
To Alaska.—Connersville, $28.50; Indianapolis: Mrs. E. S. Van Anda, $20.00; Shelbyville Band, $5.00 (to name a desk in Jesse Lee Home). Total, $53.50.
To Morristown.—Franklin, $5.00. Total, $5.00.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Indianapolis, Central Avenue, $2.00; Mapleton, $1.00. Total, $3.00.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brookville, $2.00; Greensburg, First Church,

$0.30; Indianapolis: Roberts Park, $1.70; North Indianapolis, $1.50; Shelbyville, $6.15. Total, $11.65.

Total to Special Fund, ... $239.40.
Grand Total, ... $658.02.

South-west Kansas Conference.

MRS. G. C. RAYMOND, Secretary. MRS. J. MARTIN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—GARDEN CITY DISTRICT.—Dodge City, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

LARNED DISTRICT.—Marion, $13.60; Marion Circuit, $12.35; Band, $5.05. Total, $31.00.

NEWTON DISTRICT.—Burton, $4.25; Hutchinson, $79.50; Newton, $26.60; Circle, $2.60. Total, $112.95.

WICHITA DISTRICT.—Wichita: Dodge Avenue, $6.00; First Church, $27.50; Circle, $5.75. Total, $39.25.

WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Wellington, $4.00; Winfield, $20.50. Total, $24.50.

OTHER SOURCES.—From Conference Treasurer, unorganized places without special credits, $17.00. Total, $17.00.

Total to General Fund, ... $229.70.

To Special Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Winfield, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

To Bohemian Work.—Marion Circuit, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Hutchinson, $1.00. Total, $1.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—South-west Kansas collections as reported by Mrs. Earp, $61.55; Newton, $20.00; Conference gatherings without special credits, $20.00; Hutchinson, $2.00. Total, $103.55.

Total to Special Fund, ... $159.55.
Grand Total, ... $389.25.

Texas Conference.

MRS. ISABELLA HOWELLS, Secretary and Treasurer.

To Special Fund.—*To King Home, Marshall, Texas.*—Marshall: Ebenezer, $50.00; Mrs. Lou Allen, $40.00; By Mrs. Howells, without credits, $52.00; From friends to the cause through President Whitaker, $51.00; Students of Wiley University, $30.00; Rent of rooms, $143.50; Collections of J. B. Scott, $33.00. Total, $399.50.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Funa.—By Mrs. Howells, $8.00. Total, $8.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—By Mrs. Howells, $4.00 (on window to be named "Houston, Texas", the balance of ten dollars paid last year). Total, $4.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $411.50.

Troy Conference.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, Secretary. MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: Ash Grove, $75.50; First Church, $26.00; Saint Luke's, $16.00; Trinity, $25.00; Amsterdam Mission Band, $16.95; Canajoharie, $10.00; Esperance, $1.00; Greenbush, $50.00; Schenectady, Albany Street, $6.00; Seward, $6.00; Tribes Hill, $6.59. Total, $239.04.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Burlington, $56.50; Cambridge, $12.00; Granville, $27.55; Middlebury, $12.00; Pittsford, $3.75; Vergennes, $5.00. Total, $116.80.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Fort Edward, $18.00; Glens Falls, $100.00; Lyon Mountain, $1.00; Moriah Center, $10.00; Port Henry Band, $3.25; Sandy Hill, $8.50; Westfield, $3.95; Westport, $15.00. Total, $159.70.

SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Cohoes, $20.00; Gloversville: First Church, $86.00; Fremont Street, $17.00; Green Island Band, $4.75; Jonesville, $28.00; Round Lake, $28.00; Saratoga Springs, $28.00; Band, $5.00; Stillwater, $9.00; Waterford, $8.25. Total, $234.00.

TROY DISTRICT.—Boytonville, $13.75; Hoosick Falls, $27.00; Hedding, $3.00; Lansingburg, First Church, $55.75; Pittsfield Band, $13.32; Schaghticoke, $1.00; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $40.00; Band, $3.00; State Street, $15.50; West Sand Lake, $4.00; Miss Bristol, $40.00. Total, $216.32.

OTHER SOURCES.—Troy Conference offerings, $54.98. Total, $54.98.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,020.84.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Kent Home.*—Amsterdam Band, $40.00; Greensburg, $20.00; Poultney, Troy Conference Academy, $8.25. Total, $68.25.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $25.00; Mission Band, $5.00; Westford, $1.00. Total, $31.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $99.25.

To Special Fund.—*To Ponca.*—Albany: Ash Grove, $5.00; Saint Luke's, $1.40; Trinity, $1.00; Dalton, $4.25; Greenbush, $1.00; Shelburne, $10.00; Troy, Fifth Avenue, $10.00; Troy Conference offerings, $50.00. Total, $82.65.

To Navajoes.—Albany: Saint Luke's, $11.00; Amsterdam, $20.00; Burlington, $0.50; Cohoes, $20.00; Gloversville, First Church, $15.00; Green Island, $4.00; Jonesville, $5.00; Pittsfield Band, $2.78; Poultney Academy, $9.00; Shelburne, $2.04; Schaghticoke, $10.00; Saratoga Band, $0.77; Troy Conference offerings, $100.00; West Troy, $0.50; "A friend," $70.00. Total, $270.59.

To Apaches.—Argyle, $15.00; Cambridge, $8.12; Fort Edward, $11.66; Gansevoort, $1.00; Pittstown, $3.50; Round Lake, $47.00; Schaghticoke, $7.50; Sandy Lane, $1.00; West Troy, $0.50; "A friend," $55.00; Miss Clegg, $4.75. Total, $155.03.

To Stickney Home.—Keeseville, $2.00; Band, $8.00; Moriah, $4.00; Port Henry, $5.00. Total, 19.00.

To Albuquerque.—Lansingburg, First Church, $10.00; Port Henry, $0.60; Troy, Fifth Avenue, $5.00. Total, $15.60.

To Immigrant Work.—Castle Garden.—Burlington, $35.25; Band, $17.00; Gloversville, First Church, $5.00; Greenbush, $5.00; Lansingburg, First Church, $5.00; State Street, $5.00; Schenectady, Albany Street, $5.00. Total, $77.25.

To Italian Work in New York.—Port Henry, $2.00. Total, $2.00.

To Kent Home.—Schenectady, First Church, $5.00; Troy Conference, $25.00. Total, $30.00.

To Morristown.—Glens Falls, $25.00; Troy Conference, $25.00. Total, $50.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Lansingburg, First Church, $5.00; Troy Conference Academy, $2.50; Young Men's Christian Association, $2.57; Pittsford, $10.00. Total, $20.07.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, $1.00; First Church, Ella M. Stickney, $100.00 (to name a room, "Mary E. Stickney"): Fort Edward, $3.00; Hartford, $2.00; Glens Falls, $1.00; Gansevoort, $1.00; Greenwich, $5.00; Granville, $5.61; Lansingburg: Hedding, $2.00; Mount Vernon, $2.00; Round Lake, $1.00; Sandy Hill, $1.00; South Glens Falls, $2.00; Troy, Fifth Avenue, $7.00. Total, $133.61.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Burlington, $1.80; Fort Ann, $2.00; Fort Edward, $2.00; Gloversville, Fremont Church, $23.20; Lansingburg: First Church, $40.00; Hedding, $1.00; Port Henry, $1.40; Pittsfield Band, $7.50; Round Lake, $1.10; Richmondville: Mrs. Lord's Class, $20.00 (to name two windows "Geneva Russell" and "Agnes Jones"); Schaghticoke, $0.30; Stillwater, $0.10; Troy, Fifth Avenue, $2.30; Waterford, $8.00. Total, $110.70.

Total to Special Fund, ... $966.50.

Grand Total, ... $2,086.59.

Treasurer's Note.—In last Annual Report, 1889-90, Albany District, Greenbush is credited with $5.00—it should be $50.00; Jonesville was credited with $50.00—it should be $5.00. A mistake was made in credits.

Upper Iowa Conference.

MRS. M. ALSPAUGH, Secretary. MRS. J. G. VAN NESS, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Janesville, $12.75; Band, $3.66; Mount Auburn, $12.10; Nora Springs, $7.50; Parkersburg, $1 00; Rockford, $6.75; Shell Rock, $8.00; Waterloo, First Church, $18.75; Waverly, $10.00. Total, $80.51.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Anamosa, $27.80; Cedar Rapids, $32.00; Iowa City, $37.00; Marion, $28.75; Marion Circuit, $21.00; Mount Vernon, $75.00. Total, $221.55.

DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Center Junction, $3.50; Clinton, $45.00; Willing Workers, $4.55; Pansy Band, $1.52; Dorcas Band, $0.27; Davenport: First Church, $38.32; Gleaners, $16.32; Fourteenth Street, $22.40; DeWitt, $16.25; Maquoketa, $24.50; Vernon Prairie, $14.25; Band, $1.62; Wyoming, $3.58; Circle, $3.26; Band, $1.09. Total, $196.43.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Osage, $6.00; Postville, $11.02. Total, $17.02.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Brush Creek, $4.50; Dubuque, $54.00; Epworth, $20.70; Farley, $10.50; Fayette, $21.00; Hopkinton, $20.43; Independence, $20.35; Manchester, $60.00; Band. $3.25. Total, $214.63.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plain, $25.05; Blairstown, $16.20; Hampton, $34.75; Haven, $19.45; Mason City, $32.84; Morrison, $5.00. Total, $133.29.

OTHER SOURCES.—Money received at Conference from unnamed charges, $74.25. Total, $74 25.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $937.68.

To Special Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Anamosa, Mrs. Springer, $1 00; Morrison, $7.00; Mount Vernon, $50.00. Total, $58.00.

To King Home.—Farley, $1.00; Fayette, $3.00; Janesville $2.50; Band, $2.50; Manchester, $81.55; Rockford, $4.99. Total. $95.54.

To Ritter Home.—Anamosa, $7.12; Cedar Rapids, Trinity, $2.00; Center Point, $1.00; Cascade, $2.00; Davenport, First Church, $5.00; Delhi, $1.00; Fairfax, $2.00; Geneva, $2.00; Inland, $5.00; Iowa Falls, $2.00; Janesville, $2.50; Band, $2.50; Marion, $1 65; Manchester, $4.64; Maynard, $2 00; Mount Vernon, $1.75; Osage, $1.00; Riceville, $5.00; Rockwell, $1.00; Shellsburg, $1.00; Toledo Circuit, $1.00; Waterloo, $22.60 (Mrs. A. C. Manwell, life member); Waverly, $5.00. Total, $80 76.

To Boylan Home.—Anamosa, a friend, $50.00. Total, $50.00.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Iowa City, $50.00; the "Missionary Guard," Boys' Band, $12.75. Total, $62.75.

To Castle Garden.—Marion, $7.30. Total, $7.30.

To Morristown.—Cedar Rapids, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Anamosa, $6.00; Davenport, First Church, $1.00; Manchester, $2.00; Marion, $10.00; Maquoketa, $1.00; Waverly, $3.30; Wyoming, $2.00. Total, $25.30.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Anamosa, $11.99; Belle Plain, $8.00; Clinton, Dorcas Mission Band, $38.00; Pansy Band, $10.00; Willing Workers, $16 00; Clarence, $6.00; Center Junction, $6.10; Hopkinton, $2.00; Independence, $5.50; Iowa City, $45.50; Janesville, $1.10; Manchester, $34.00; Marion, $0.48; Oxford Mills, $6.00; Sabula, $4.00; Tipton, $4.00; Union, $0 75; Wyoming, $0.85. Total, $200.27.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $589.92.

Grand Total. . . . . $1,527.60.

Vermont Conference.

MRS. J. O. SHERBURN, Secretary. MRS. C. H. FARNSWORTH, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—MONTPELIER DISTRICT.—Barre, $6.00; Cabot, $9.15; Groton, $7.75; Montpelier, $2.00; Randolph, $6.00; Waitsfield and Topsham, $10.00; Mrs. Cox, $1.00; Mrs. Gilmore, $1.00. Total, $42.90.

SAINT ALBANS DISTRICT.—Fairfax, $9.00; Saint Albans, $19.75; Sheldon Camp Meeting, $10.00; West Berkshire, $4.00; Mrs. Enright, $1.00. Total, $43.75.

SAINT JOHNSBURY DISTRICT.—Derby Line, $2.00; Glover, $7.00; Island Pond, $7.25; Lyndonville, $1.00; Saint Johnsbury, $34.00; West Burke, $6.00; Circle, $9.60; Westfield, Circle, $8.00; Band, $1.00; Mrs. Bradley, $1.00; Mrs. Camsden, $1.00. Total, $77.85.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Ascutneyville, $16.50; Bellows Falls, $20.75; Bradford, $21.30; Claremont Camp Meeting, $6.00; Band, $6.30; Hartland, $8.50; Springfield Circle, $3.20; Mrs. Gilman's collection, $2.75; Union Village, $14.00; Wardsborough, $10.00; White River Junction, $52.00; Wilmington, $4.50; Mrs. Chatfield, $1.00; Woodstock, $5.15. Total, $171.95.

OTHER SOURCES.—Conference collections, $45.11; from Conference, $9.00. Total, $54.11.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $390.56.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Boylan Home.*—Springfield Young Ladies' Society, $15.00; Wilmington, $25.00; West Berkshire, $6.00. Total, $46.00.

Total to Beneficiary Fund . . . . . $46.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Nooksachk.*—Derby Line, Mrs. Ruth H. Boothman, $10.00; Mrs. I. C. W., Berlin, $20.00; Sheldon, $5.00. Total, $35.00.

To Alaska.—Barre, $26.20; Northfield Camp, $52.00 (to educate a girl); West Burke, Mrs. Clark, $10.00; a young man's offering, $2.50. Total, $90.70.

To Boylan Home.—Waitsfield, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Morristown.—Conference Society, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Immigrant Work, East Boston.—Mrs. M. J. Covell, $5.00; Waitsfield, $2.00; Wilmington, $1.00. Total, $8.00.

To King Home.—Morrisville Camp Meeting, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Ocala.—Emerson Memorial Home.—Ascutneyville, Mrs. Newell, $5.00; Brownsville, Rev. C. F. Partridge, $5.00; Cabot, Mrs. J. O. Sheburn, $3.00; Claremont Union Camp, $3.07; Georgia, Mrs. J. E. Knapp, $5.00; Highgate, Mrs. W. D. Malcolm, $2.00; Island Pond, Mrs. A. L. Cooper, $5.00; Ludlow, $5.00; Montpelier, $2.00; Mrs. A. B. Truax, $5.00; Rochester, $15.00; Saint Albans, $5.00; Williamsville, $5.00; White River Junction, Mrs. C. H. Farnsworth, $5.50; West Burke, Mrs. P. A. Clarke, $5.00; Waitsfield, $5.00; from friends in Newbury, by Mrs. E. M. English, $25.00; Mrs. M. J. Covell, $5.00. Total, $110.57.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Barre, $5.00; Bradford, $2.00; Cabot, $7.00; Sheldon Camp Meeting, $5.00; St. Johnsbury, $5.00; Union Village, $1.00; Woodstock, $1.00. Total, $26.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bradford, $0.25; Cabot, $0.20; Island Pond, $2.00; Montpelier, $6.40; Plainfield, $2.00; Randolph, $0.20; Saint Johnsbury, $2.00; Swanton, $2.00; Union Village, $10.00; White River Junction, $2.00; Waitsfield, $9.10; Woodstock, $2.00. Total, $38.15.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $323.42.
Grand Total. . . . . $759.98.

West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. E. SMITH, Secretary. MRS. G. L. HAIGHT, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—INDIANOLA DISTRICT.—Beaver, $1.75; Holdrege, $9.13; Young Ladies' Society, $2.75; Minden, $7.00. Total, $20.63.

KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Gibbon, $10.00; Kearney, First Church, $32.55; Ord, $6.93. Total, $49.48.

OTHER SOURCES.—Without special credits, $22.45; from Conference charges, unnamed, $23.00; from Conference society, $4.25. Total, $49.70.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $119.81.

To Special Fund.—*To Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Beaver City, $9.70; Chad-

ron, $15.50; Froid, $2.00; Gibbon, $1.75; Kearney, First Church, Band, $47.45; Minden, $8.00; McCook, $2.10; North Platte, $8.00; Ord, $13.80. Total, $108.30.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Conference society, $4.00. Total, $4.00.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $112.30.
Grand Total. . . . . $232.11.

West Texas Conference.

MRS. L. A. WESTBROOK, Secretary and Treasurer.

To General Fund.—AUSTIN DISTRICT.—Austin: Simpson Chapel, $1.00; Wesley Chapel, $2.00; Austin Circuit, $1.00; Belton and Temple, $1.00; Bastrop and Smithville, $1.00; Giddings Circuit, $1.00; Maysfield and Port Sullivan, $1.00; Winchester and West Point, $1.00. Total, $9.00.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleytown and Toland, $1.00; Columbus, $1.00; Ellinger and Industry, $1.00; Hallettsville, $1.00; Fanin Circuit, $1.00; LaGrange, $1.00; LaGrange Circuit, $1.00; Sublime, $1.00; Victoria, $1.00. Total, $9.00.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Floresville, $1.00; Luling, $1.00; Seguin, $2.00. Total, $4.00.

WACO DISTRICT.—Bremond and Long Branch, $1.00; Dallas and Lancaster, $1.00; Groesbeck Circuit, $3.00; Marlin and Bowman Chapel, $2.00; from other sources, $1.00. Total, $8.00.

Total . . . . . $30.00.

The treasurer received $15.00, one-half of the dues; the other half was spent in the Conference.

West Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. M. BENSON, Secretary. MRS. PHILIP CHEEK, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Esdaile, $8.00; Hudson, $11.00; Ono, $11.75. Total, $30.75.

MADISON DISTRICT.—Monroe, $14.50; Band, $2.68. Total, $17.18.

LACROSSE DISTRICT.—Black River Falls, $18.55; Viroqua, $10.00. Total, $28.55.

PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Platteville "Willing Workers," $7.16. Total, $7.16.

PORTAGE DISTRICT.—Big Spring, $9.50; Baraboo, $32.70; New Lisbon, $6.00; Paoli, $9.65. Total, $57.85.

OTHER SOURCES.—Mrs. J. E. Bogen, $1.00; dues, names not given, $1.25. Total, $2.25.

Total to General Fund . . . . . $143.74.

To Special Fund.—*To Utah.*—Monroe, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Castle Garden.—Baraboo, $45.00; Big Spring, $5.32. Total, $50.32.

To Morristown.—Platteville, $5.00. Total, $5.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Baraboo, $15.00; Stevens Point, $1.00. Total, $16.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Augusta, $2.00; Big Spring, $6.30; Bayfield, $2.00; Baraboo, $24.00; Esdaile, $6.00; Lodi, $10.00; Madison, $33.23 ($19.23 of the amount should have been credited last year); Medford, $2.00; Monroe Circle, $113.94 ($40.29 of this amount should have been credited last year); Platteville Circle, $1.32; Portage, $2.00; River Falls, $2.00; Sparta, $2.00. Total, $206.79.

Total to Special Fund . . . . . $283.11.
Grand Total. . . . . $426.85.

Wilmington Conference.

MRS. EMMA L. WELDIN, Secretary. MRS. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—EASTON DISTRICT.—Centerville, $37.25; Chestertown, $11.25; Easton, $19 50; Smyrna, $4.90. Total, $72.90.
SALISBURY DISTRICT.—Snow Hill, $16.50. Total, $16.50.
WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Elkton, $15.75; Newark, $37.00; Band, $2.75; New Castle, $32.72; Port Deposit, $16.00; Rising Sun, $9.00; Wilmington: Asbury, $33.25; Epworth, $26.70; Grace, $87.00; Saint Paul, $61.20; Scott, $33.00. Total, $354.37.
OTHER SOURCES.—Conference gleanings, $81.00. Total, $81.00.
Total to General Fund, ... $524.77.

To Special Fund.—*To Castle Garden.*—New Castle, $0.88. Total, $0.88.
To Indian Work.—To Stickney Home.—Newark, $5.00; New Castle, $2.00; Wilmington: Grace, $3.00; Saint Paul, $5.00; Mrs. Weldin, $5.00 (to Buffalo Room). Total, $20.00.
To Jesse Lee Home.—Newark, $10.00; Wilmington: Asbury, $10.00; Saint Paul, $5.00. Total, $25.00.
To Utah.—Wilmington, Saint Paul, $15.00. Total, $15.00.
To Ritter Home.—Wilmington: Grace, $120.00; Saint Paul, $5.00. Total, $125.00.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Home.—Newark, $7.00; New Castle, $1.90; Rising Sun, $7.01. Total, $15.91.
To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Brandywine, Summit Camp, $16.00; Ellicott, $2.00; Newark, $26.20 (this includes $10.00 to name a window "Newark Mission Band"); Port Deposit, $8.60; Snow Hill, $0.20; Wilmington: Asbury, $8.52; Grace, $17.51; Jennette Weldin, $2.00 (collection); Saint Paul, $11.60; Scott, $10.57; May Browne, $0.80. Total, $104.00.
Total to Special Fund, ... $305.79.
Grand Total, ... $830.56.

Wisconsin Conference.

MISS Z. A. SMITH, Secretary. MRS. R. MCMILLEN, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—Appleton: First Church, $26.00; Young Ladies' Society, $6.00; Fond Du Lac, Division Street, $19.14; Wisconsin Conference, $8.00. Total, $59.14.
To Special Fund.—*To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.*—Stevens Point, $1.00. Total, $1.00.
Grand Total . . . . . $60.14.

Wyoming Conference.

MRS. O. P. WRIGHT, Secretary. MISS GRACE CRARY, Treasurer.

To General Fund.—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Binghamton: Centenary, $37.25; Chenango, $2.00; High Street, $9.75; Tabernacle, $55.00; "Willing Workers," $13.50. Total, $117.50.
CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Castle Creek, $8.00; Norwich, $21.75; Young Ladies' Society, $0.22. Total, $37.97.
HONESDALE DISTRICT.—Carbondale, $9.50; Dunmore, $25.00. Total, $34.50.
ONEONTA DISTRICT.—Milford, $11.00; Oneonta, $7.00. Total, $18.00,
OWEGO DISTRICT.—Newark Valley, $13.25; "Willing Workers," $4.25; Owego, $6.50; Waverly, $7.75. Total, $31.75.
WYOMING DISTRICT.—Kingston, $32.30; Scranton: Adams Avenue, $29.00; First Church, $17.00; Green Ridge, $14.25; Providence, $13.50; Simpson, $17.50; Wilkesbarre: Central, $15.75; First Ch., $25.00; Band, $1.50; Franklin St., $8.00; Band, $1.75; West Pittston, $27.00. Total, $202.55.
Total to General Fund, ... $442.27.

To Special Fund.—*To Immigrant Work in New York.*—Binghamton:

Centenary, $11.55; Tabernacle, "Willing Workers," $25.00; Barton, $2.00; Dunmore, $1.50; Eaton, $1.00; Fairdale, $4.00; Guilford, $2.00; Kingston, $21.00; Litchfield, $2.00; Luzerne, $1.00; Lackawanna, $1.00; Lehman, $1.00; Newark Valley, $18.75; New Milford, $1.00; Oneonta, $8.25; Owego, $2.00; Paupack, $1.00; Pittston, $4.00; Plymouth, $1.00; Scranton: First Church, $113.80; Green Ridge, $11.50; Providence, $0.75; Simpson, $14.75; Springville, $1.00; Tioga, $1.00; Uniondale, $1.00; Wilkesbarre: First Church, Band, $20.00; Franklin Street, $115.00; West Pittston, $25.00; Wyoming Conference, $20.00. Total, $432.85.

To Indian Fund.—*To Pawhuska.*—Hyde Park, $20.00; *To Stickney Home.*—Newark Valley, "Willing Workers," $5.00. Total, $25.00.

To Navajoes.—Scranton, First Church, $3.00; Wilkesbarre, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $500.00. Total, $503.00.

To Asheville.—Oneonta, $10.00; Wilkesbarre, Franklin Street, $50.00. Total, $60.00.

To Ritter Home.—Binghamton, Centenary, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To King Home.—Binghamton, Chenango, $7.75; Tabernacle, $76.00; Scranton, Simpson Church, $5.25; Tunkhannock, $11.00. Total, $100.00.

To Alaska.—Gilbertsville, $2.00; Scranton, Simpson, $0.50. Total, $2.50.

To Morristown.—Oneonta, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Haven Home.—Wilkesbarre, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $500.00 (through Mrs. (Palen). Total, $500.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Norwich, $3.00. Total, $3.00.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Athens, $2.00; Binghamton: Tabernacle, $43.56; "Willing Workers," $1.20; Carbondale, $48.10; Factoryville, $4.00: Honesdale, $2.00; Lackawanna, $2.00; Milford, $2.00; Newark Valley, "Willing Workers," $6.65; Mrs. R. W. Clinton, $25.00 (to name a bed "Pearl Sterling Burroughs"); Norwich, $0.60; Parsons, $4.00; Scranton, First Ch., $3.20; Green Ridge, $2.00; Simpson, $1.10; Wilkesbarre: Central, $2.00; Franklin, $6.00; Waverly, $5.00; Conference, $10.00; Collection, $1.55. Total, $171.96.

Total to Special Fund, ... $1,818.31.

Grand Total, ... $2,260.58.

NOTE.—Last year West Pittston should have had credit for $17.50 in *Indian Fund*, instead of $8.50. Milford should *not* have had credit for $14.75 in the same Fund.—TREASURER.

Other Sources.

To General Fund.—Collections and donations not credited in organized Conferences. Alabama, $1.00; Arkansas, $14.00; Austin, $2.00; Blue Ridge, $2.10; Central Alabama, $30.00; Central Tennessee, $2.45; East German, $5.00; East Tennessee, $1.00; Georgia, $2.00; Mississippi, $6.75; Newark, Perth Amboy, $10.00; New York, Hyde Park, $2.00; New York, 35th Street, $2.00; New York East, John Street Church, $10.00; Bethany, $3.00; Beekman Hill, $10.00; New Mexico, $1.00; North Carolina, $3.00; South German, $4.00; South Carolina, $26.50; Savannah, $33.16; Swedish, $0.51; Texas, $3.00; Upper Mississippi, $11.20; Utah Mission, Salt Lake, Second Church, $3.50; Virginia, $7.92; Washington, $19.00; West Virginia, through Treasurer, J. L. Clark, $28.00; Sutton Charge, $20.00 (to missionary in Salt Lake City); Indian Mission, $21.00; Norwegian and Danish, $18.35. Total, $303.44.

Omissions from Conferences. Des Moines Conference, Carroll, $5.00; Southern Illinois, Belle River, $10.00; Albuquerque, $13.85; Las Vegas, $23.30; Albuquerque, income to Home, $151.00; New Garden, O., $8.00; Erie Conference, Brookville, $21.00, to frontier fund (omitted last year). Total, $232.15.

Miscellaneous.—Interest by Mrs. McCabe, $59.07; on Mrs. Boughten's bequest, $69.95; leaflets by Mrs. Marcy, $124.00; Camden, rent, $57.04; advertisements in Annual Report, $45.00; credits of New England Conference Immigrants' Home, $468.31; Mrs. Springer's collection, $3.00 (Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh, $2.00; Miss S. Evans, $1.00); Asheville Industrial Classes, $43.71; tuition and sale of supplies, $209.22. Total, $1,079.30.

From Government appropriations.—To Pawhuska, $4,865.08; To Lummi, Wash., $324.26; To Alaska (rent for building), $200.00. Total, $5,389.34.

Total to General Fund, ... $ 7,004.23.

To Beneficiary Fund.—*To Haven Home.*—Brookville, $4.00 (omitted last year). Total, $4.00.

To Special Fund.—*To Alaska.*—Collections at Annual Meeting not credited in Conferences, $6.00; A friend, $10.00; Ashley, Ill., $1.50; Mrs. Carr, $5.00; Mrs. Joselyn, $5.00; Mrs. Harvard, $5.00; Rev. G. H. Prentice, $1.00; Rev. S. I. Ferguson, $2.00; Mrs. Brown, $5.00. Total, $40.50.

To Italian Work in New York City.—Gatherings of Mrs. J. F. Willing without special credits, $303.34. Total, $303.34.

To Ocala.—Emerson Home.—Mrs. Peter Fisher, $20.00 (Life Member); Mrs. S. L. Grassurk, $5.00; Mrs. Ackerman, $5.00. Total, $30.00.

To Morristown.—Miss Bancroft, $5.00; A friend, $5.00; Mrs. Mather, $5.00; Mrs. Griffith, $5.00. Total, $20.00.

To Indian Funa.—To Navajoes.—Thousand Islands Park, $346.30 (donations); Thousand Islands Park Auxiliary, $30.25 ($21.00 of this was omitted last year); *To Apaches.* From friends, through Miss Moore, $20.00; *To Nooksachk.* A friend, Washington, $10.00. Total, $406.55.

To Utah.—Watch offerings without credits, $10.00. Total, $10.00.

To Albuquerque.—Alice, collection on card, $4.00. Total, $4.00.

To Asheville.—Donations from friends and visitors.—Mrs. M. Allen, $200.00; Mr. E. D. Heineman, $100.00; Mrs. H. J. Biddle, $15.00; Mrs. J. D. Flint, Miss M. L. Lee, Mrs. H. Holman, $10.00 each; Miss C. W. Biddle, Mrs. James Sharpless, Miss E. Beardsley, Mrs. A. D. Weightman, Mrs. Frank Lawrence, Mrs. Alsie Armory, Miss Marietta Kies, Mr. A. L. Hussey, Mrs. Wm. J. Cross, Miss Emilie Vaughn, Mr. A. R. Cooley, Mr. J. D. Inman, two friends, Mrs. Alphonso Montant, Mrs. Wm. T. Burden, Mr. Roland Smith, Mr. George Smith, Mrs. E. H. Knickerboker, Mrs. H. Paulsmier, Mrs. Isaac Bronson, Mrs. H. E. Greenough, Mrs. J. C. Allen, Miss Hart, Mrs. James Clinton, Mrs. John Stewart, Mrs. Franklin M. Veigh, Mrs. H. Valentine, Mrs. M. Halliburton, Mrs. Eugene Van Rensellear, $5.00 each; Mrs. H. D. Fifield, $4.00; Mr. John Stewart, Mrs. C. Paulmier, $2.50 each; Mr. J. L. Heston, $2.00; Miss Emma Hammond's Sunday-school class, $1.75; Miss Emma Stone, $1.25; Mrs. J. D. Huzzy, Miss Lizzie Moore, Mrs. Sarah Clapp, Miss Annie Walker, Mrs. Gransen, Miss Mary G. Ryder, Miss May L. Ryckman, Miss Mary Harvey, Rev. Geo. W. Morse, Mrs. E. A. Danielson, Mrs. H. H., Miss Ryder, $1.00 each; Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Groesbeck, $14.00; from concert at Battery Park Hotel, $180.00; Asheville Bands of Mothers' Jewels, $35.00. Total, $750.00.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Memorial Fund.—Avoca, $2.00; Abington, $1.00; Ogden, Utah, $1.00; East Las Vegas, $4.00; through Mrs. Rust, $15.00; sale of books and pictures by Mrs. Thompson, $55.05. Total, $78.05.

To Mothers' Jewels Home.—Asheville Bands of Mothers' Jewels, $35.00; "Praise of the Nation," through Miss House, $14.70; Urbana Camp, children, $28.00 to name a bed "Urbana Camp"; collections: Adrian, $0.60; Buzzard's Bay, $5.10; Eustis, $2.00; Garfield, $2.00; Leominster, $2.00; Loyalsock, $2.00; North Dakota, Jamestown, $2.00; Olean, $2.00; Pawnee Mission, Mabel and Minnie Crook, $5.10; Sandwich, $2.00; Savannah, Asbury Church, $54.23, (to name two beds, "Wilbur Whetstone Haven" and "Elizabeth Palen Haven";) Thornville, $2.00; Wellsburg, $0.50; a friend, $2.00; Carl Kelly, $0.50; Frank Ford, $2.00; Ray and Bertha Cooper, $3.00; Lula Sago, $2.00; Edith M. Giles, $2.00. Total, $170.73.

To Deaconess Work in Buffalo.—Credit of $715.00 (too late for Conference credit). Total, $715.00.

Total to Special Fund, ... $2,528.17.

Total, ... $9,536.40.

A loan from friends of $4,000.00 made by the Society to reimburse Special Fund, overdrawn.

Grand Total with loan, ... $13,536.40.

Summary.

Receipts for General Fund.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore	$ 987.88	New York	$1,517.14
California	298.50	New York East	2,371.19
Central Illinois	94.98	North Indiana	681.94
Central Missouri	14.00	North Nebraska	213.14
Central New York	852.77	North Ohio	892.71
Central Ohio	1,039.75	Northern New York	725.24
Central Pennsylvania	418.75	North-west Indiana	221.83
Cincinnati	2,822.77	North-west Iowa	517.10
Colorado	442.98	North-west Kansas	51.75
Columbia River	189.95	Ohio	920.29
Des Moines	98.26	Oregon	21.98
Detroit	3,833.00	Philadelphia	940.31
East Maine	80.25	Pittsburg	1,006.51
East Ohio	1,141.09	Rock River	2,810.17
East Tennessee	17.20	Saint Louis	147.42
Erie	888.58	Southern California	365.24
Florida	59.03	Southern Illinois	6.98
Genesee	1,321.80	South Kansas	127.78
Holston	56.85	South-east Indiana	418.62
Illinois	562.64	South-west Kansas	229.70
Indiana	115.87	Troy	1,020.84
Iowa	318.09	Upper Iowa	937.68
Kansas	171.76	Vermont	390.56
Kentucky	42.50	West Nebraska	119.81
Little Rock	28.50	West Texas	30.00
Maine	614.34	West Wisconsin	143.74
Michigan	902.08	Wisconsin	59.14
Minnesota	126.83	Wilmington	524.77
Missouri	29.62	Wyoming	442.27
Nebraska	307.01	Other sources	7,004.23
Newark	1,099.57		$ 48,114.83
New England	1,620.02	Deficit borrowed from Special Fund	28,846.72
New England Southern	1,354.15		76,961.55
New Hampshire	440.03		
New Jersey	863.29		

Expenditures of General Fund.

Paid deficit borrowed last year from Special Fund	$12,485.63	Paid Detroit	$ 3,156.38
Missionaries:		" Kentucky	21.25
" In the South	11,942.98	" Michigan	577.46
" In New Mexico	3,135.88	" North-west Kansas	25.00
" In Utah	5,512.60	" Pittsburgh	170.65
Indian Work:		" West Texas	15.00
" Pawhuska	5,823.76	" Frontier Preachers	293.00
" Pawnee	685.21	" Industrial Home, Brooklyn	2,693.51
" Ponca	699.49	" Immigrant's Home, Boston	1,428.31
Frontier Work in Conferences:		" Mothers' Jewels Home: On addition to Farm House	1,050.90
" California	149.25		
" Colorado	221.48		

Paid Salary, Superintende't	$ 666.69	Paid Utah Homes	$ 1,448,20
" Purchase of Stock, Agricultural Implements, and Current Expenses	4,248.00	" Speedwell	51.97
" Bohemian Work, Chicago	2,190.67	" Tulsa	150.00
Homes—Repairs, Furnishings, and Incidentals:		" Buffalo Deaconess Home	300.00
" A. M. Smith	354.40	" Printing, Engraving, Lithographing and Architects	3,574.21
" Asheville	658.02	" General Organizers	2,888.46
" Boylan	217.10	" Secretaries and Helpers in Conference Work	1,748.57
" Browning	415.26	" Expenses of Executive Board and Office	1,137.98
" E. L. Rust	273.70	" Insurance, Legal Claims and Interest	1,403.69
" Emerson	149.96	" Clerical Help	671.53
" Haven	1,228.88	" Supply Department	77.35
" Kent	104.05	" Mite Boxes	47.50
" Morristown	4.00	" Leaflets	163.94
" Peck	836.67	" Small Bills, shown by Vouchers	195.12
" Simpson	192.92		
" Thayer	117.32		
" Albuquerque	946.27		
" Candalarius	40.00		
" East Las Vegas	371.38		$ 76,961.55

Receipts for Beneficiary Fund.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore	$ 50.00	New York	$ 38.50
California	130.00	North Ohio	65.00
Central New York	61.50	Northern New York	40.00
Central Ohio	40.00	North-west Indiana	25.00
Central Pennsylvania	65.62	North-west Iowa	72.50
Cincinnati	75.00	Ohio	63.29
Columbia River	120.80	Philadelphia	70.00
Detroit	94.00	Pittsburg	12.00
East Ohio	17.50	Troy	99.25
Erie	124.00	Vermont	46.00
Genesee	60.00	Other Sources	4.00
Illinois	40.00		$2,553.60
Iowa	34.00	Deficit borrowed from Special Fund	1,494.89
Newark	126.00		$4,048.49
New England	465.25		
New England Southern	438.39		
New Hampshire	76.00		

Expenditures of Beneficiary Fund.

Paid deficit borrowed last year from Special Fund	$ 985.91	Paid Peck Home	$ 131.55
Students in Homes:		" Thayer "	375.00
" A. M. Smith	215.50	" Mothers' Jewels Home	165.62
" Boylan	320.00	" Jesse Lee Home	25.00
" Browning	407.00	" Pawnee Agency	81.00
" E. L. Rust	245.00	" Chinese Girls, San Francisco	150.00
" Haven	483.07	" Utah, Beneficiary	25.99
" Simpson	239.40		
" Kent	218.45		$4,048.49

Receipts for Special Fund.

Balance from last year	$ 27,376.78
CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore	$ 2,993.98
California	193.25
Central Illinois	49.35
Central Missouri	2.00
Central New York	735.88
Central Ohio	2,738.50
Central Pennsylvania	163.34
Cincinnati	1,106.35
Colorado	155.75
Columbia River	15.00
Des Moines	100.00
Detroit	3,172.02
East Ohio	513.11
East Tennessee	10.00
Erie	836.90
Florida	49.80
Genesee	1,548.31
Holston	232.90
Illinois	435.61
Indiana	44.70
Iowa	47.40
Kansas	123.65
Kentucky	698.50
Maine	208.50
Michigan	134.16
Minnesota	147.20
Missouri	35.00
Nebraska	1,678.61
Newark	575.40
New England	2,539.84
New England Southern	853.66
New Hampshire	386.71
New Jersey	507.80
New York	1,109.67
CONFERENCES.	
New York, East	$ 178.20
North Indiana	113.78
North Nebraska	446.13
North Ohio	531.79
Northern New York	526.72
North-west Indiana	112.75
North-west Iowa	674 40
North-west Kansas	32.00
Ohio	1,204.30
Oregon	574.00
Philadelphia	2,852.71
Pittsburg	2,061.58
Puget Sound	124.00
Rock River	254.80
Saint Louis	50.37
Southern California	48.29
Southern Illinois	11.62
South Kansas	28.65
South-east Indiana	239.40
South-west Kansas	159.55
Texas	411.50
Troy	966.50
Upper Iowa	589.92
Vermont	323.42
West Nebraska	112.30
West Wisconsin	283.11
Wisconsin	1.00
Wilmington	305.79
Wyoming	1,818.31
Other Sources	2,528.17
	$69,084.30
A loan from friends	4,000.00
	$73,084.30

Expenditures of Special Fund.

Paid Castle Garden	$ 2,659.85
" Italian Work	595.01
" French " N. H. Conf.	10.00
" Boston Immigrant's Home, on building	1,620.90
" Stickney Home	2,122.00
" Alaska, Unga	200.00
" Jesse Lee Home	1,553.53
" King Home	2,736.98
" Ritter Home	8,777.79
" Asheville, on lot	1,200.00
" " Insurance	61.80
" Camden, on lot	566.66
" Insurance	36.83
" Repairs and additions	1,600.00
" Albuquerque	400.00
" Lucy W. Hayes Home	3,343.36
" Pawhuska	672.58
Paid Glenn Home:	
" On purchase	$ 3,000.00
" Current expenses	697.67
" Morristown, special gift	100.00
" Utah, Spencer Home	500.00
" Siletz Indians	215.75
" Savannah, for piano	92.00
Deaconess Homes:	
" Syracuse	521.33
" Detroit	2,835.78
" Buffalo	1,488.38
" Grand Rapids	79.60
" Philadelphia	2,408.22
" Pittsburg	1,639.06
	$41,735.08
Balance to next year	31,349.22
	$73,084.30

General Cash Account.

BALANCE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR—		
In Special Extension Fund		$ 27,376.78
RECEIVED DURING THIS YEAR—		
General Fund	$48,114.83	
" Deficit	28,846.72	
Beneficiary Fund	2,553.60	
" Deficit	1,494.89	
Special Extension Fund	45,707.52	
		$ 126,717.56
		$ 154,094.34
PAID DURING THE YEAR—		
General Fund	$76,961.55	
Beneficiary Fund	4,048.49	
Special Extension Fund	41,735.08	
		$ 122,745.12
BALANCE TO NEXT YEAR—		
Special Extension Fund:		
Cash in Treasury	$ 1,007.61	
Due from loan to General Fund	$28,846.72	
" " " Beneficiary Fund	1,494.89	
Total amount due to Special Fund	30,341.61	
		$ 31,349.22
		$ 154,094.34

TREASURER'S NOTE.—The expenditures have increased this year. The receipts from regular sources have also increased; but the *bequests* and *gifts* have fallen off. Last year the receipts from bequests were $16 000+, and gifts for the purchase of Boston Immigrant's Home and Mothers' Jewels Home were $19,000+. This year the Society has received about $1 500 from bequests; and the gift by Mr. Nash of Washington City of a house, valued at $15,000, having a mortgage of $5,000 upon it. This explains the apparent decrease.

Local Work.

Money received and disbursed in the Conferences and cities named. This money was not sent to the general Treasurer, but was paid to Missionaries who were employed under the Bureau for Local Work, and to rent of rooms for Industrial work; and *vouchers* therefor were sent to the Treasurer.

CONFERENCES.

CALIFORNIA.—Alameda, $181.75; West End, $500.75; Berkeley, $30.00; Mite Boxes, $94.25; San Francisco: Central, $87.50; Powell Street, $137.55; Trinity, $81.25; San Jose: First Church, $30.00; Santa Cruz, $24.35. Total, $1,167.40.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.—Berwick, $12.00; Sunbury: Saint John, $54.80; Harrisburg: Grace, $101.22; Ridge Avenue, $225.00; New Cumberland, $7.23; Milton, $5.00; Lockhaven, Trinity, $110.65; Williamsport: Grace, $10.90; Mulberry, $23.00. Total, $549.80.

CINCINNATI.—Grace Church, $100.00. Total, $100.00.

DETROIT.—Detroit, Lincoln Avenue, $1.00; Preston, $17.63; Haven, $1.50; Sable, $8.75; West Bloomfield, $7.00; without credits, $8.70; Dundee, $25.00; Tecumseh, $10.00; Dansville, $2.00; Flint: Court Street, $40.09; Garland Street, $10.00; Milford, $5.00; Corunna, $4.00; Fort Gratiot, $53.00; Alpena, $11.40; East Tawas, $32.50; West Branch, $5.80. Total, $243.37.

EAST OHIO.—Atwater, $10.00; Allison, First Church, $24.93; Cleveland: Asbury, $5.00; Central Church, $37.40; First Church, $92.00; Scovill Avenue, $19.43; Superior Street, $15.25; Woodland Avenue, $4.50; reported as from Churches of Cleveland, without special credits, $221.12. Total, $429.63.

GENESEE.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $276.47; Plymouth Avenue, $131.50; Bradford, $9.00; Canisteo, $10.10; Holley, $5.00; Rushford, $5.00; Rochester, $9.00; Band, $5.00. Total, $451.07.

HOLSTON.—Knoxville First Church, $213.18. Total, $213.18.

MAINE.—Biddeford, $20.00. Total, $20.00.

MICHIGAN.—Carson City, $15.00; Ionia, $25.00; Niles, $14.67. Total, $54.67.

NORTH NEBRASKA.—Craig, $10.00; Omaha: Trinity, $30.00; Second Street, $120.70; South Tenth Street, $25.00. Total, $185.70.

NORTH INDIANA.—Elkhart, $25.81; Leesburg, $11.97; Middletown, $2.26; Richmond: First Church, $20.55; Grace, $13.83; Wabash, $40.45. Total, $114.87.

NORTH OHIO.—Brooklyn, $5.00; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $39.00; Jennings Avenue, $59.00; Helping Hand, $10.00; Taylor Street, $38.75. Total, $151.75.

OHIO.—Columbus: Broad Street, $10.00; Third Avenue, $70.00; Neil Chapel, $4.00; Town Street, $50.00; Wesley Chapel, $50.00. Total, $184.00.

PITTSBURG.—Without special credits, $25.00. Total, $25.00.

SOUTH-WEST KANSAS.—Without special credits, $97.95. Total, $97.95.

SOUTH-EAST INDIANA.—Indianapolis: Hall Place, $3.42; Roberts Park, $43.05. Total, $46.47.

TROY.—Albany, Saint Luke, $1.00; Amsterdam, $163.80; Young Ladies' Society, $20.00; Schenectady, $4.00; Glens Falls, $41 84; Fort Edward, $50.20; Sandy Hill, $13.00; Broadalbin, $35.00; Gloversville, $35.00; Lansingburg, $69.03; Troy, Fifth Avenue, $20.00. Total, $452.84.

UPPER IOWA.—Anamosa, Young Ladies' Society, $18.00; Dubuque, $100.00. Total, $118.00.

WILMINGTON.—Without special credits, $291.57. Total, $291.57.

WYOMING.—Binghamton: Centenary, $494.28; Chenango, $5.00; Tabernacle, $452.29; Milford, $12.50. Total, $964.07.

Grand Total, ... $5,861.34.

Supplies.

Estimated value of Supplies . . . . . $63,733.70.

General Summary.

RECEIPTS OF TREASURER THIS YEAR	$ 96,375.95.
RECEIPTS THROUGH VOUCHERS FOR LOCAL WORK	5,861.34.
ESTIMATED VALUE OF SUPPLIES	63,733.70.

I have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct. MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Auditor.*

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" Laura Taubman,
" R. T. Taylor,
" Wm. H. Teal,
" Helen Temple,
" Ira Teitzart,
" Geo. B. Thirkield,
" Rachel Thomas,
Master Charlie Thomas,
Mrs. Frank Thomson,
" Carter Thomson,
" Emma Thorpe,
Rev. W. L. Thorpe,
Mrs. Saba Tillotson,
" Julia A. Tirrell,
" Sarah Towle,
" Wilson Treible,
" L. C. Trueblood,
" L. J. Turley,
" Wm. A. Turner,
" F. P. Tzant,
" Russill Warner,
" Anna B. Wasey,
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" M. C. Wire,
Miss Eva Wilbee,
Mrs. H. S. Wineland,
" John Wood,
Miss Mattie Wood,
" Belle Worley,
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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

ARTICLE I.—Name.

THIS organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II.—Objects.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

ARTICLE III.—Organization.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

SEC. 2. The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

SEC. 3. The work of the Annual Session shall be:

(1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.

(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring *ad interim* the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

SEC. 5. The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

(1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.

(3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-president, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-presidents, Managers, and Treasurer in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

SEC. 5.—**Special Work.**—Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

SECTION 1. Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

SEC. 2. Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

SECTION 1. This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

a. The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

b. The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

c. All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

SEC. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a three-months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. The Chairman and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the General Executive Board shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Executive Board, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting. They shall see that the time and place of meeting are announced in all the Church papers.

3. The Committee on Nomination of Officers for the Society shall consist of one member from each Conference delegation, to be appointed by the respective delegations, and five members of the General Executive Board. The officers shall be elected by ballot.

4. The Committee on Finance and Mission Fields shall consist of the President of the Society, the Chairman of the General Executive Board, the Corresponding Secretary, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of Bureaus, together with the Conference Secretaries present at any Annual Meeting, and five other persons chosen by the Annual Meeting.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. Our mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and Assistants.

2. Each Bureau shall have the entire responsibility, in its own field, of executing all the plans and applying all the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the General Executive Board.

3. Each mission shall be placed under the special supervision of a committee of ladies nominated by the Conference Society or Societies most immediately interested* in the mission, and elected by the General Executive Board. These committees shall report quarterly or oftener to the Secretary of the Bureau, giving a detailed statement of the condition and needs of the work in their charge.

4. Each Bureau, except Supplies and Local Missionary Work, shall consist of its Secretary and the Committees in charge of the work within it bounds.

5. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to co-operate with these committees in the management of the work, secure conformity to the rules approved by the General Board of Managers for mission work, and give a detailed report quarterly or oftener to the General Executive Board.

6. The Bureaus shall be (1) East Southern States; (2) East Central States; (3) West Central States; (4) West Southern States; (5) Texas; (6) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (7) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (8) Mormons; (9) Indians; (10) Alaska; (11) Mission Supplies; (12) Local Missionary Work; (13) Young People's Work; (14) Home Missionary Reading Circle and Lectures; (15) Immigrants; (16) Deaconess Work.

7. The Bureau for the East Southern States shall consist of its Secretary, and two or more ladies from each of these States, Georgia and Florida.

8. The Bureau for the East Central States shall consist of its Secretary

*The Conference or Conferences assuming the financial responsibility.

and two or more ladies for each of the following States: North Carolina and South Carolina.

9. The Bureau for the West Central States shall consist of its Secretary and two or more ladies for each of the following States: Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama.

10. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall consist of its Secretary and two or more ladies for each of the following States: Mississippi, Louisiana, and Arkansas.

11. The Bureau for Texas, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), the Mormons, the Indians, and Alaska shall each consist of its Secretary and three or more ladies.

12. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall consist of its Secretary and such assistants as she shall from time to time deem necessary, and the Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

13. The Bureau for Immigrants shall consist of a Secretary, and two or more ladies from each city in which our Missions are established. The work of this Bureau shall be the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, and also the care of the Italian Work in New York City.

14. The Bureau for the Home Missionary Reading Circle and Lectures shall be composed of a Secretary and two or more ladies, and a Co-operative Committee consisting of the Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

15. The Bureau for Deaconess Work shall consist of a Secretary, and ladies from each locality where a Deaconess Home may be established.*

16. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall consist of a Secretary and such assistants as she shall from time to time deem necessary.

17. The work of this Bureau shall comprise the supervision of mission work in our large cities and towns, as inaugurated or carried forward by our auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors and official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.

18. Local missionary work for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the General Executive Board, after a formal application for permission to undertake such work through the Secretary of the Bureau of Local Missionary Work.

19. All persons employed as missionaries in these fields shall be subject to all the rules relating to testimonials as to fitness, and to furnishing reports of work, that are applicable to missionaries in our other fields.

20. The Funds used for the support of this city work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

21. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through the authorized channels in the Bureau of Supplies.

22. It shall be the duty of the Bureau of Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Young Ladies' and in Juvenile Societies.

23. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the General Executive Board, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

24. The Secretaries of the Bureaus of Supplies, of Local Missionary Work, of Young People's Work, of Home Missionary Reading Circle, of Immigrants, and of Deaconess Work, may nominate the members of their Bureaus, who shall be elected by the General Executive Board.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 15th of October.

*The work shall be conducted according to the provisions of the Methodist Discipline, ¶ ¶ 207-212, page 126.

2. **Auxiliary Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, December 15th, March 15th, June 15th, and September 15th.

3. **Conference Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, Sections 3 and 4, January 15th, April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th.

4. **General Executive Board.**—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of January, April, July, and October.

5. All moneys raised for the Society must be sent by the auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer. Moneys to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work, must, in all cases, be raised as a special fund for such work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employes of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year) carefully prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. With a view to protect this Society against any embarrassments that might possibly grow out of unauthorized engagements or pledges in respect to the funds or the operations of the Society, it is hereby ordered:

(1.) That no officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the General Executive Board of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

(2.) That if the special work proposed to be undertaken shall be the erection of a building or buildings, whether for religious, benevolent, or educational purposes, the erection of the same shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the General Treasury of this Society or fully provided for, nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same, shall have been approved by the General Executive Board of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

IV.

BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of a special committee appointed by the Bureau having charge of the work. This committee shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the General Executive Board through the Secretary of the Bureau.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. It shall be carefully marked, and at the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers of the school, shall be elected, employed, and paid by the General Executive Board.

4. All the employes of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work, as per blank provided, sending one copy to the Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. Pupils of all ages may be admitted to our Industrial Schools. It shall be the aim in these schools to provide: (1.) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2.) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dress-making and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchen-garden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a committee of three appointed by the General Executive Board to publish letters from missionaries, circulars relating to the various Bureaus, and kindred matter that will help auxiliaries sustain their interest in our work; and to send such information out upon application, for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings.

2. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the General Executive Board as will be of interest to our workers or to the general public.

VI.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

1. Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home Missionary?

2. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ, our Lord?

3. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

4. When and where were you born?

5. What are your domestic relations and obligations?

6. Have you a thorough English education?

7. In what schools have you taught and how long?

8. Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental.

9. Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

10. Are you able to give instructions in housekeeping, including cooking?

11. Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3) Good health; (4) Educational fitness; (5) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6) Aptness to teach.

2. Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

3. The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

4. When a candidate has been accepted by the General Executive Board, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission field.

5. New missionaries may be appointed by the General Executive Board upon the recommendation of the respective Bureaus at any time during the year.

6. The General Executive Board shall set apart the last Saturday in May for a special examination into the work of the missionaries during the year, and appointments for the coming year shall then be made.

7. A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also, her return expenses when she is recalled by the General Executive Board, and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall be paid monthly, not to exceed $40 per month. She shall also be allowed an amount not exceeding five dollars for postage.

VII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

1. Young persons over sixteen years of age may be organized into Mission Circles under the general rules governing Ladies' Auxiliaries, with a membership fee of not less than fifty cents per annum. They may be under the supervision and direction of some adult lady, and are recommended to choose some special name.

2. Young persons under sixteen may be organized into Juvenile Bands under the Constitution already provided.

3. Children under six years of age may be enrolled as Mother's Jewels on the payment of ten cents.

VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the Society; due notice of changes proposed must be given during the first three days of such meeting.

BY-LAWS OF THE GENERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD.

[NOTE.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Executive Board shall be held the last Friday of each month. Special meetings may be called by the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. A quarterly meeting shall be held the last Saturday in January, April, and September, at such places as the Board shall designate. Written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

3. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.

4. The Executive Board shall organize by the election of a Chairman

and the requisite Standing Committees at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting.

5. The Executive Board shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Sec'y, Recording Sec'y, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the monthly meetings. This committee shall report all its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Executive Board, shall be entitled to a seat and a vote.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1.) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3.) Reports of Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4.) Reports of Special Committees; (5.) Unfinished business; (6.) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7.) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business; (2) Beneficiaries; (3) Missionary Candidates; (4) Annual Meeting; (5) Publication; (6) Leaflets; (7) "Woman's Home Missions"; (8) Transportation; (9) Mite Boxes.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the General Executive Board, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Societies shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it, and shall also determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and the Corresponding Secretaries, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of standing committees, and of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

3. Order of Business: (1.) Devotional exercises; (2.) Introduction of delegates; (3.) Appointment of committees; (4.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5.) Report of Treasurer; (6.) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7.) Report of District officers; (8.) Reports of committees; (9.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (10.) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1.) Annual Meeting; (2.) By-laws; (3.) Woman's Home Missions.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The Committee on Nominations shall consist of one lady from each District, chosen by the delegates from her District. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference.

8. Every Auxiliary Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District

meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the presiding elder and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to confer and co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries, Young Ladies' Circles, and Juvenile Bands; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blank reports, receive them when filled, and forward a report by the 1st of January, April, July, and October to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society.

11. There shall be a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary of Local Missionary Work, and a Secretary (or a Committee) of Young People's Work, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ———— on the —— of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the General Executive Board.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing auxiliaries, and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. Organizers may draw upon the General Treasury for their traveling expenses, and one dollar for each day of actual service, when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to meet the expense.

20. Their accounts shall be audited each month by the General Executive Board, except when the Conference Contingent Fund pays the expense. In that case the Conference Society shall audit those bills.

21. Organizers shall be recommended by their Conference Boards to the General Executive Board for appointment.

22. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective organizers.

23. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the auxiliaries the —— of ——, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

24. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, notice of the desired amendment having been given a month previous, and the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ———— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman s Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President (the District Vice-President chosen by the Conference Society, when the District Association is not organized); a Vice-President from every Auxiliary on the District, who shall be the President of the Auxiliary, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary (the District Manager chosen by the Conference Society), and a Treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot upon nomination by a Committee.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of December, of March, of June, and of September, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of January, April, July, and October. The Treasurer shall hold only the contingent fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association, and such other meetings as may be found practicable.

ART. 7. The Standing Committees shall be upon Mite-boxes, *Woman's Home Missions*, and Program.

ART. 8. This Constitution may be amended only by the General Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution and the accompanying By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. IT shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society in Cincinnati.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of Woman's Home Missions and Annual Reports for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record, and report regularly to the auxiliary.

7. ORDER OF EXERCISES FOR MONTHLY MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes
(3.) Reports from members of work done.
(4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing.
(5.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(6.) Unfinished business.
(7.) Miscellaneous business.
(8.) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Home Mission Circle of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people of the Church in Missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our own country.

ART. 3. Any young person over sixteen years of age, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Circle, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Circle.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, together with an adult Lady Manager chosen by the Circle, shall constitute an Executive Committee to plan the work of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Circle shall be held ——— of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be on ——— day of ———, when Annual reports shall be read and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution and the By-laws accompanying, can only be changed or amended at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

BY-LAWS FOR CIRCLES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Circle, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-president shall take the place of the President in her absence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Circle, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Circle, solicit subscriptions to our paper, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Circle.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6. The Circle may choose the specific Missionary work to which its funds shall be applied, under the advice and direction of the Executive Board of the Conference Society.

7. There shall be two standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary program, and the other to provide music for the meetings.

8. Mission Circles may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Circle may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.

9. Each member of the Circle shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

10. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the ——— Mission Band of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be an adult lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society, a President, four or more Vice-presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—SEC. 1. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of our Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may choose either to support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-School supplies, or to assist in any department it may desire; but the location of the work chosen must be decided by the Executive Board of the Conference Society or of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society can only have connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society by contributing directly to its work in the field, and may only have credit in the reports of the General Society for money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers shall be held on ———.

SEC. 6. This Constitution can only be altered or amended by the Executive Board of the General Society which framed it. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. THE meetings of this Society shall be held on ——— of every ———.

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Society shall be divided into bands of ten (more or less, as seems advisable), according to ages, each of which shall be supervised by one of the Vice-presidents, who shall keep a record of names, ages, conduct, money paid, and report the same at each meeting.

4. The Vice-presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

5. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.
(3.) Report of Treasurer.
(4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(5.) Report of Bands.
(6.) Unfinished and Miscellaneous Business.
(7.) Program.
(8.) Adjournment.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

BEQUEST—(*Personal Estate*)—*I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of*..... *and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

DEVISE—(*Real Estate*)—*I give and devise to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say:*..... ....., *to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.*

NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.